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## PYTHIANS TO GATHER AT RED DEER

The seventeenth annual convention of the Alberta Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias and the fourth annual assembly of the Grand Lodge Pythian Sisters will be held at Red Deer on March the 8th and 9th.

The conventions are coming at the close of the most successful year Pythianism has known in its work in Alberta. The Knights of Pythias, with nearly one million members, and the Pythian Sisters, with its quarter million, spend annually over two million dollars in altruistic work, which is quite independent of the benefactions of an insurance department having \$122,000,000 worth of insurance in force. This record is one of which the membership is justly proud.

## ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, BLAIRMORE

Service, Sunday, February the 28th, as follows: Holy Communion at 11 a.m.

Thursday, March 2nd: Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m., and every Thursday in Lent at the same hour. Sunday School every Sunday at 2 p.m.

Anyone desirous of being confirmed at this time, please hand in their names to the vicar—Rev. A. D. Currie, on or before the 6th of March.

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## LOCAL LEGION ASSISTS BLAIRMORE'S JUNIOR HOCKEY

A very liberal contribution has been made by the Blairmore Branch of the Canadian Legion, British Empire Service League, to the Blairmore Junior Hockey Club, in the form of a cheque for the sum of twenty dollars. In addition to this, the members of the local and Calgary teams were the guests of the local Legion to a banquet at the Cosmopolitan hotel on Friday night, following the game here.

The boys of both teams feel very grateful to the Legion for their kindness and generosity.

This contribution to the funds of the Junior Hockey Club will help considerably, but further assistance is necessary and would be appreciated. The boys have been under considerable expense and the gate receipts this season have not come near meeting the expense bill.

## KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS TO HEAR LECTURE

All Knights of Pythias are requested to attend the regular meeting of Livingstone Lodge on tomorrow (Friday) night, when an illustrated lecture on the signs and symbols of Pythianism will be delivered by Bro. William T. Bannan, of Medicine Hat, grand vice-chancellor.

This lecture is the event of the year, so make it a point to be present and come early.

## TOWN COUNCIL REORGANIZED

The regular monthly meeting of the town council took place on Monday night, at which committees were appointed for the year.

At the outset of the meeting, Mr. William Patterson, retiring councillor questioned the right of Capt. W. A. Beebe to sit on the council. Secretary Kelly stated that as returning officer he was not in a position to question the qualification of a candidate, once said candidate had attested his signature to a document declaring himself qualified to act.

Councillors Hays and Patterson were present at the meeting and relinquished their chairs to Messrs. Marshall Hamilton and William McVey, who were duly sworn in.

The minutes of previous regular meeting were approved as read and a number of accounts were passed for payment, including an account from the fire department of \$24 for services in connection with the recent fire at Bellevue.

On motion by Councillors Morgan and Ferguson, a vote of thanks was tendered the retiring councillors for services rendered during their term of office.

A by-law governing the storage of gasoline, oils and other inflammables, received first, second and third readings and was finally passed, to become effective at once.

The secretary informed the council that he had been served with a summons by the Macleod hospital, which institution claimed an amount, from the Town of Blairmore covering two months board and treatment of Mrs. E. Russell, an invalid patient. On motion by McVey and Hamilton, Mr. J. E. Gillis, of the law firm of Gillis & Mackenzie, was asked to enter defence.

Morgan-Ferguson—That the provisions of the Dog By-Law be enforced by the 31st of March. Carried.

Councillor Ferguson gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the council he would introduce a by-law to appoint Mr. E. D. Battum auditor for the year 1927.

A slate of committees was submitted by Mayor Farmer and adopted, as follows:

Finance—Ferguson, Beebe, Sartoris.

Works and Property—Morgan, McVey, Hamilton.

Fire and Water—Hamilton, Ferguson, Beebe.

Light—McVey, Sartoris, Morgan.

License and Police—Sartoris, Morgan, McVey.

Health and Relief—Beebe, Hamilton, Ferguson.

The first named on each committee is understood to be chairman.

## JUVENILE HOCKEY PLAY-OFFS TONIGHT

The whole town is agog over the prospects of the most exciting hockey of years, when the local Tuxis Shamrocks in the provincial play-off series at the local arena tonight. The ice is reported to be in fairly good condition. The Calgary boys arrived by this morning's train and are today resting up at the Greenhill hotel.

The teams for tonight will lineup as follows:

Shamrocks: Goal, Fisher; defence, Scott and McRae; forwards, Holt, Anderson and McConnell; subs, Ross, Birrow and Rogers.

Blairmore Tuxis: Goal, McKay; defence, Vandurend and J. Kemp; centre, Martini; forwards, Percy Anderson and James Joyce; subs, Charles Joyce and Aleck Penman.

The game starts sharp at 8. The second game will be played in Calgary early next week.

Some men are too intellectual to be intelligent.

## BLAIRMORE ELKS WILL HOLD SUMMER CARNIVAL

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Blairmore Lodge of Elks, it was decided to stage a summer carnival.

The dates decided upon were June 30th, July 1st and 2nd. July 1st and 2nd have already been set apart by the Dominion government in celebration of the Diamond Jubilee, or the sixtieth anniversary of Canadian confederation. On this date all Canada will be celebrating, and it is befitting that Blairmore Elks should couple this celebration with their annual carnival.

A committee has been appointed to go into the matter of choosing major prizes, arranging programme, etc., and the Biggest Days in Blairmore's History are assured. In all likelihood, the carnival programme will include field sports and celebration. The idea of a queen contest has been suggested and will likely be adopted.

## EASTERN STAR OFFICERS INSTALLED

At the regular monthly meeting of Vimy Chapter No. 52, Order of Eastern Star, on Monday night last, the officers for the ensuing term were installed by Mrs. J. Martin, assisted by Mrs. M. D. Rees, both past worthy matrons, as follows:

W.M.—Mrs. J. Pinkney.

W.P.—Mr. W. Thomas.

A.M.—Mrs. A. Davis.

Secretary—Mr. W. H. Chappell.

Treasurer—Mrs. D. J. Christophers.

Conductress—Mrs. A. I. Chappell.

Asst. Conductress—Mrs. J. Ferguson.

Chaplain—Mrs. B. Greenham.

Marshall—Mrs. M. Barnes.

Organist—Mrs. E. Comfort.

Alt.—Mrs. J. Henderson.

Ruth—Mrs. A. Drake.

Esther—Miss M. Henderson.

Martha—Mrs. A. Lord.

Electa—Mrs. K. Murray.

Wardner—Mrs. S. Evans.

Sentinel—Mr. R. W. H. Pinkney.

Vimy Chapter meets regularly on the third Monday of each month at 8 p.m.

## FIRE DESTROYS BLAIRMORE HOME

Fire completely destroyed the store and home of Steve Dorezo at an early hour on Wednesday morning. Mr. Dorezo was away at the time. Mrs. Dorezo and children barely escaped with their lives. Nothing whatever was saved, and although some insurance was carried on the building and contents, the loss is a heavy one. Neighbors gave shelter to Mrs. Dorezo and children until Mr. Dorezo arrived during the day from Lundbreck. The cause of the fire is unknown. Firemen responded promptly and were successful in confining the flames to the Dorezo building, which was located but twenty feet from the Bush vulcanizing and repair shop and gas oil station.

## ALLEN PLAYERS HERE ON MARCH THE 9TH

Miss Verna Felton and the Allen Players, who so successfully staged "So This is London" here some months ago, will return to the Blairmore Opera House on Wednesday, March the 9th, in "The Whole Town's Talking," from the pen of Anita Loos, and which at present is one of the reigning hits of the London season, just as it was an instantaneous hit when presented in New York.

A whist drive and dance will be held in the Lodge Hall on Wednesday night next, by the members of the Order of Eastern Star. Whist will commence at 8 p.m. The usual good prizes, refreshments and music. Everybody welcome.

## FRANK CELL, OF CRESTON, PURCHASES HIGH RIVER CAFE

A deal has just been consummated whereby Frank Cell, of Creston, former proprietor of the Palm confes-

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Canned Peas, Excelsior Brand, 3 tins	50c
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Nabob Coffee and Tea, per lb	70c
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CHAPTER XXVIII—Continued.

Lady Weymouth, a sprightly, ecstatic young woman of that English sort which possesses two distinct characteristics, the one that shows and the one that is hidden, often as opposite as the poles, greeted Joanna effusively when the girl reached the village and where the visitor here would expect to wait. Joanna was fond of Teddy Dornister's sister, but it was a shy fondness she never quite revealed. Betty Weymouth was different, some way, from others of the crowd that filled from villa to villa, that shone resplendent with its jewels and its velvet backs at the Casino, opera, or rode, in pairs, through the quiet lanes that wandered back from the main roads by the sea. She pronounced, openly, to be ex-act at the verge of Indecision; but one was quietly confident that she never was. She was barely thirty, but repeatedly announced that she was in imminent danger of being arrested or being fined, or something like that, for having deliberately lopped off two years from her birth certificate. "One must knock off at least a year with every baby," she liked to declare, "and I've already got two." She was desperately unconscious of any attractiveness or worthwhileness upon the part of the earl, her brother, but often sat and talked with him for an hour at a time. Which is seldom the way between brothers of the Teddy Dornister type and sisters of the Betty Weymouth kind. Joanna would have liked to have Lady Weymouth realize how fond she was of her, but was ever afraid Betty Weymouth would not take such appreciation seriously.

"I am all eagerness to know about your tale," the visitor said at once, "for that is all I hear whispered about. It's terribly exciting, you know, to be doing something that is whispered about. I've been trying ever since I came down from London to get someone to drop their voices about me, but they won't. I put on a scandalous affair with Michael, that night you were with us at the Opera, when you presented Mr. Wilmore, but I've never heard an echo. You're so fortunate! The night before you took just a little dash in a car with him and whippers were so thick you could cut them."



"Really you know, I've never taken Teddy on," Joanna reminded Lady Betty. "But I might at any time."

While they waited for the maid to wheel up her tray and arrange the service, Joanna proffered Lady Weymouth a cigarette. For her own she found, on a table, an exquisite new holder that Kenneth had sent her the night before. She had others set with emeralds or rubies. This one was of bamboo in which some Chinese workman had fixed tiny bits of camphor jade. "How gorgeous," Lady Betty cried. "Trust Roddy Kenneth to search the ends of the earth to save the whims of his lady loves."

She was instantly mindful of that slip of the purple-lips lady loves. And, being an English woman, she was never at a loss to turn her own slips into an advantage.

### Embarrassing Position Experienced By Bronx Lady

Miss Joanne Glinberg, Bronx, N. Y., writes: "I had become accustomed to arising each day with a heavy head, dizzy and bad taste in my mouth. My bowels were frequently clogged and constipated. One day I became so sick to my stomach I had to leave an important job and go home. A friend advised me to take CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. I feel greatly relieved since using them and whenever my stomach and head goes bad again I'll certainly know what to do."

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"I'm sorry I said that, my dear," she said gently. "But it is just as well, perhaps, because it will open my eyes. I want to talk to you about the kind of love that is spoken of in the plural." Joanna glanced at her sharply. This was a new Lady Weymouth.

"Or it may be that it is love that isn't plural I will begin about," Lady Betty went on, after a moment's contemplation of the smoke that curled lazily from her lips. "It's about Teddy, you know. Teddy and you, dear. Teddy's an awful ass, I know, and he's kissed the hem of a thousand garments when he should have stopped at the fingers. But he's always said that no woman is ever approached by a man who doesn't beckon to, and I'm sure he ought to know."

Again she waited to watch the nebulous trail of the smoke wreath that lifted from her cigarette. Joanna's "That's quaint!" Betty exclaimed. "That's quaint! And so wise! I shall not be content now until people are talking out loud."

Lady Betty then started that her cigarette slipped from her fingers to the floor. A maid appeared out of her forgotten proximity and recovered it. Lady Betty did not see the hand that held the retrieved tobacco.

"We mustn't make it a skinkish, my dear," she said to the girl who looked her full in the eyes. "It's not come as a wife with a bargain to propose to her husband's mistress. I'm just Betty Weymouth dropped in to tea to ask her friend, the Golden Girl, if she won't be charming and generous and let a good chap down—let him down easily, but let him down. He loves you, dear, and he wants you. I've always said that there wasn't a reason in the world any man oughtn't to have any woman he wanted—if she'd let him have her. That's gone for my own brother, too. But he wants you for keeps. That's different, isn't it?"

"Yes, it's different," Joanna agreed. "You're all free to be as bad these days, that it's strange any man would want one—for keeps. And you think I'm not the kind he ought to have—in that way?"

"Lady Betty smiled, and reached for a new cigarette. "My dear, you are so unexpected," she explained brightly. "One plans a speech, or a sentiment, and you twist it into something that doesn't sound right at all and isn't! It's bad before it's given." She was earnest again. "I mean only that it wouldn't be fair to me, my brother, to our family, and least of all to you, dear girl, if you married Teddy. It would be hell for you, in fact. And, worse than everything else, it would be hell for him. I love my brother, Joanna. He's a good sort. Throw him over, won't you, like a good girl?"

"Really, you know, I've never taken him on," Joanna reminded Lady Betty, and then added: "But I might, most any time. As you say, he's a good sort. And I like him tremendously. He's asked me to marry him, you know, and that's made him fearfully interesting to me. You must tell me why—" She stopped. With her eyes she signalled the maid to serve the brandy and soda. Neither woman spoke while the ice was served and the mixture made. Then Joanna asked:

"Will you tell me why I am not worthy of your brother? He knows me. You don't. You and I are common birds of prey seeking the same game. You hunt in your way, I in mine. Your thrill may be different than mine, but we're women—or, at least, if you are a woman, I'm a girl, which is the same thing. It may, or it may not, be that I shall want Lord Teddy. Why not?"

"A Dornister always has women," the other woman returned, "and he always puts them aside for his wife. The wife must be clean and good. Are you both, my dear? You're modern, you know. You're beautiful and lovely, and I think, honest. But you're all body. I'm all body, too, but I haven't the nerve that you have. You're not ashamed of it. A Dornister must be ashamed of it. It's a Dornister convention. Surely I won't have to say any more."

(To Be Continued.)

#### Canadian Apples Exported

Statistics show that Canada produced last year one barrel of apples for every three persons. Most of them were exported, and there was left for home consumption about one apple for every three persons.

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Influence of Canada in League Increasing Says Viscount Willingdon

Canada exercises a position of growing importance in the League of Nations, His Excellency the Governor-General, Viscount Willingdon, told the annual meeting of the League of Nations Society in Canada, held at Ottawa. From what he had seen of the League, he said, the British Empire and its representatives held a great position in the council of the League, "and Canada is one of the principal parts of the Empire, and her delegates, as she rises in nationhood, will have more and more influence."

His Excellency emphasized the value of the League, in that it made it possible for foreign ministers of different nations to get together, "and a few hours' conversation is worth many months of the exchange of dispatches." Sir Robert Borden, past president of the League, had wanted to emphasize the fact "that upon every occasion rests a direct responsibility for the peace of the world. The status of the delegates to Geneva depends upon a strong, virile public opinion behind them, and I believe Canadians are realizing this more and more."

The president, Sir George Foster, stated that one of the things which made him hopeful for the future was that a strong, virile public opinion shown by Great Britain in moving in the perplexing Chinese problem, stating it was the influence of the League of Nations which brought about such a condition of affairs.

#### Some-Interesting Legends

According to Tradition Beefsteak Was Discovered by Roman Senator

Tradition has it that the Roman Emperor Trajan ordered Lucius Papius, a senator, to aid in the duty of offering sacrifices to Jupiter. The senator thought that the work was beneath his dignity. He refused to obey, but was dragged to the altar. While the ox that was sacrificed to the heathen god was being roasted, the senator in contempt tore off a piece of the meat and ate it. To his surprise it was very palatable. He cut other slices and broiled them for the slaves who were present. From that moment the Romans began to like "beefsteak," and before long the old styles of Roman cookery gave way to the Papius style.

It is said that the sirloin of beef over its name to Charles II. King of England. At dinner one day he was so much pleased with a piece of beef that he asked the name of it.

"It is the loin," was the reply.

"Then, said the king, 'I will knight it; henceforth it shall be Sir Loin!'"

Canada's Preventable Fires—Last year Canada had over five thousand forest fires burning over an area of nearly two million acres of which, according to the Natural Resources Intelligence Service of the Department of the Interior, 90 per cent. were caused by human agency and carelessness.

Larcom Receives Appointment—Baron Larcom, Bar. de Mar, has resigned from the presidency of the Manitoba Agricultural Societies, to become an advisor to the provincial government on agricultural problems.

In Hao, an island of French possession in the mid-Pacific, rats serve as mediums of exchange, and with a sufficient number a man can buy a wife.

### Possesses Exceptional Power of Concentration

Outstanding Characteristic of Canada's Minister to U.S.

Massey possesses exceptional powers of concentration, and when interested in a business project, the preparation of a new play, has the ability to insulate himself against any disturbance and let the world go by. He has been known to work on a problem with deep intensity for days at a time, and when he has found a solution to be as pleased as a boy with a new mechanical toy.

This power of concentration was a characteristic that caught the attention of members of the war cabinet. I remember hearing the late Sir James Loughheed former Minister of the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment say "Massey is a remarkable young man. He not only has a trained mind, but he has tact and the ability to unite the efforts of those around him to an unusual degree. I believe he will go far."

Another factor in his success has been his realization of the value of time. For years he has maintained a schedule which has been the envy of his business associates. He has a record for punctuality that would make an alarm clock ashamed of its shortcomings, and his promptness in acknowledging his personal correspondence has gained the admiration of all who know him.

### Little Helps For This Week

He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.—1 John IV. 8.

God is love, saith the Evangelist; and our world of woe and sin is made light and happy only when a love is shining in it.

—John Greenleaf Whittier.

Have patience with our loss and pain. Our troubled space of days is small. We shall not reach our arms in vain. For Love shall save us all.

—Celia Thaxter.

The pressure of a hand, a kiss, the caress of a child, will do more to save sometimes than the wisest argument ever rightly understood. Love alone is wisdom; love alone is power, and where love seems to fail, it is where self has stepped between and dulled the potency of its rays.

—George MacDonald.

Bonds Strong As Steel

The British Empire is held together or chiefly by bonds of sentiment. It is essentially modern, and how it is going to work out nobody knows. But in the World War it was put to a severe test, and the bonds of sentiment that thus proved about as effective as if they had been made of steel.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

Alcohol for running machinery and tractors on Hawaiian sugar plantations is made from molasses, a waste by-product.

A public school system in Russia was first organized under Alexander II, about 1855.



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#### Rules on Alberta Coal

Evidence on Rail Rates on Coal to be Heard June 7

There is much anxiety felt by those who are trying lower rates than \$1 a ton on Alberta coal to Ontario, as to whether there is any possibility of getting a decision in time to be of any assistance this year.

The board of railway commissioners to which the question was referred, ruled that stationholders representing Ontario and Alberta, on the one hand, and the two railway companies on the other, get together on May 17 to compare their formulas, and the board will have evidence on June 7 as to the cost of moving train loads of coal to Ontario.

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## ADVANTAGE IN BEING VERY OLD

Two old fellows get together before a birthday cake in New York, the other died and told each other that it was cast for them to lie, says the New York Post.

One was John R. Voorhis's chairman of the New York board of elections, 97 years old, and the other was Ezra Meeker, pioneer of the Oregon trail, 96 years old.

Said Mr. Meeker to his guest in a secluded corner of the dining room:

"You know, I tell them most anything about those pioneer days. There is nobody else alive who remembers them, so I can cut loose and get away with it."

Replied Mr. Voorhis:

"Well, you know, I don't have to tell the truth about the early days of Tammany hall, not that I don't tell the truth, but I don't have to because there's no one to remember."

Mr. Meeker reached forth and felt Mr. Voorhis's head.

"Hair pretty thin," said Mr. Meeker, who sports a flowing beard and a few white locks which encircle his collar.

"Guess I didn't nourish it as well as you did," said Mr. Voorhis.

"No. Guess you worked more with your head than I did," replied Mr. Meeker courteously.

Mr. Meeker and Mr. Voorhis held aloft two coffee cups.

"Here's h.w.," they said.  
And it was coffee. Mr. Meeker has not smoked for forty years and is a teetotaler. Mr. Voorhis differs. He smokes his daily cigars and does not confine his thirst to coffee.

## LESS BULL

Pecora Mercedes Ormsby, Ltd., the grand champion Holstein bull of the Calgary exhibition and third of the Royal Winter Fair at Toronto, died suddenly of chronic indigestion.

A frantic father raced his automobile through the streets of Uniontown, Penn., to reach a hospital in time to save the life of his three-year-old daughter, Betty Coughanour, who with a bone from the Christmas turkey sticking in her throat, was gasping for breath. The Coughanour machine crashed into another. The turkey bone was found beside her. Had there been no collision she would have died before the hospital was reached, physicians declared.

## OLD FABLE DOES A QUEEN MAIR

Not only the bones of Agamemnon, but those of far more ancient ancients, "are a show" lured by the pitiless synde of archeology, says the New York Times. Attemision Ephesus and the Christian Ephesus have been explored off and on for seventy years or so.

German and Austrian archeologists, according to a Smyrna dispatch have just discovered in Ephesus "a vast compound of ancient Christian culture." The finds are said to include, curiously enough, the "tombs of the Seven Sleepers."

This reminds one of the accretion of liberal accretions which, in Palestine, permit the tourist to gaze on the tombs of divers characters in the Parables. Many of us have made the acquaintance of the Seven Sleepers in Gibson's account of "that memorable fable." Seven noble Ephesian youths, trying to escape from the Decian persecution, hid themselves in a cave, whose mouth the emperor sealed with enormous stones:

They immediately fell into a deep slumber, which was miraculously prolonged without injuring the powers of life, a period of 187 years. At the end of that time the slaves of Adolus, to whom the inheritance of the mountain had descended, removed the stones to supply materials for some rustic edifice; the light of the sun darted into the cavern and the Seven Sleepers were permitted to awaken.

After a slumber, as they thought, of a few hours, they were pressed by the calls of hunger; and resolved that Jamblichus, one of their number, should secretly return to the city to purchase bread for his companions.

The youth (if we may still employ that appellation) could no longer recognize the once familiar aspect of his native country; and his surprise was increased by the appearance of a large cross, triumphantly erected over the principal gate of Ephesus. His singular dress and obsolete language confounded the baker, to whom he offered an ancient medal of Decius as the current coin of the empire, and Jamblichus, on the suspicion of a secret treasure, was dragged before the judge.

Their mutual enquiries produced the amazing discovery that two centuries were almost elapsed since Jamblichus and his friends had escaped from the age of a pagan tyrant.

The bishop of Ephesus, the clergy, the magistrate, the people and, it is said, the emperor Theodosius himself, hastened to visit the cavern of the Seven Sleepers, who bestowed their benediction, related their story and at the same instant peacefully expired.

Mahomet borrowed and adapted the legend, which thus spread, as Gibson puts it, "from Bengal to Africa." Comparative folklorists of the last century have shown an even wider distribution than this, in China and India, among Jews, Slavs, Germans,

## PIANO AND VIOLIN RECITAL ENJOYED

A crowded house greeted the performers in the piano and violin recital given in the Moose Hall on Thursday night by Mr. Meeker and Miss Chardon and their violin and piano pupils respectively.

Following is the programme as rendered:

**PART ONE**  
Foster's Drill March (Bion)—Miss Jean Cruickshank, c. Hilkrest, and Miss Frances Linville, of Blairmore, piano.  
Mourning Song (Harde) and Soldiers' Parade (Hohman)—Master Joseph Sand, violin.

Melody in G (Carse) and Berceuse Neapolitaine (Teiler)—Master Joe Morgan, violin.

Crossing the Bridge (Frini)—Miss Olive Young, piano.

The Rooster (Maxima)—Miss Frances Tompkins, piano.

Allergito (Haydn)—Miss Gladys Thibedeau, piano.

Melody (Elerton) and A la Guitare (Reinecke)—Master Cecil Johnson, violin.

Soldaten March (L. Mendelssohn) and Vale Melancolique (Zelcher)—Master Anglin Young, violin.

Mosquito Dance (L. Mendelssohn) and Gavotte (Alletier)—Master Sandy Ferguson, violin.

Story of the Mouse (Lynes)—Miss Frances Linville, piano.

Hungarian Dance (Rheinhold)—Master Leonard Davis, piano.

Dolly's Funeral (Tchaikowsky)—Miss Doris Chappell, piano.

Swing Song (Hartmann) and Concerto No. II, First Movement (Seitz)—Miss Florence North, violin.

Nita (Ducelle)—Misses Frances Linville and Jean Cruickshank, piano.

## PART TWO (BEGINNERS)

Quartettes: Gebet and Gloria in Excelsis (Bortniansky)—Sandy Ferguson, Anglin Young, Cecil Johnson and W. H. Moser, violin.

Oh, Where is My Little Dog Gone? (Gagnor)—Master James Patterson, piano.

Just a Little Piece—Jack Ferguson, piano.

## PART THREE

Momus (Geibel)—Alice Hamilton and Madeleine Chardon, piano.

Sparklets (Miles)—Miss Beatrice Trono, piano.

Romance (Svendsen) and Le'sleid (Kreiser)—Mr. Eric Hornquist, violin.

Equipose (Ludovic)—Miss Leila Johnson, piano.

Valsette (Borowaki)—Miss Nellie Royle, piano.

Meditation, Thais (Massenet) and Concerto No. I, First Movement (Seitz)—Mr. Frank Johnson, violin.

Rondo Capriccioso (Mendelssohn) and Encore—Miss Madeleine Chardon, piano.

"God Save The King."

Owing to the storm, several numbers were omitted from the program, the artists, Misses Murray, Frank; Misses Prue Borden, Ruth Morrison and Freda Antrobus, of Coleman, being unable to be present.

Every item of the programme was rendered well and received with applause.

The net proceeds have been handed over to the Musical Festival Committee.

Miss Chardon's new Northheimer baby-grand piano was used to great advantage on this occasion.

English and where not.

Aristotle has a version of the long sleeper that comes from Sardinia, not so far from Ephesus. Irish literature has some beautiful examples, rich in poetry and pathos. The mythical or historical hero who comes or is to come from his secular slumber to save his people and build a new world. Ogier le Danois, Arthur Charlemagne, Frederick Redbeard are familiar, as is the saint or poet who lives 100 years while a bird sings one note. Our own Rip Van Winkle is one of the Seven Sleepers—Spokenman Review.

## VALENTINE TEA AT BELLEVUE

The members of the Bellevue Ladies' Aid held a very successful and enjoyable Valentine tea in the ladies' parlor of the Bellevue United Church on Monday, February the 14th. Despite the bad weather, a good crowd turned out and the sum of \$56.65 was realized.

The tea tables were most beautiful and artistically arranged, the decorations being representative of the valentine season. A tiny heart favor was given to each guest.

Several musical numbers rendered during the afternoon were very much appreciated and enjoyed by everyone present. Those taking part were Mrs. Robert Jordan, Miss End Cole, Miss M. Hall, vocal soloists; Misses Hazel and Irma McDonald, pianoforte du-

ets; Misses Ina Wood and Gertie May, pianoforte duet; Miss Agnes Campbell, violin; Miss Annie Brown, violin solo, and Mr. Albert Christie, organ and piano selections.

The members of the Ladies' Aid wish to tender their sincere thanks to the above for their able and kindly assistance with the afternoon entertainment.

Some die of heart failure and some live with heart failure.

A dance, under the auspices of the Blairmore Curling Club, will be held at the Greenhill grill room (The Tea Kettle Inn) on Tuesday night next.

A Scotchman, invited to a golden wedding, was told that each guest would be expected to take along a golden present. His was a goldfish.

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## RAILWAY MEN ARE DEMANDING INCREASED PAY

Montreal.—Wage negotiations involving more than 80,000 men and wage demands ranging from 10 to 12 cents an hour, confront Canadian railways in the opening weeks of this year. One parity is proceeding, another dispute is the subject of a board of conciliation proceedings and another negotiation will follow in due course.

Negotiations opened around the request of 35,000 maintenance-of-way men on Canadian lines for an increase of 10 cents an hour.

Three representatives of the men are meeting the wage committee of the Railway Association of Canada on this matter, and certain working conditions are also the subject of discussion.

Other workers involved include: 25,000 rail shopmen employed on all Canadian lines, asking an increase of ten cents an hour.

18,000 Canadian National Railway workers, office staffs, freight handlers, employees, etc., seeking a ten per cent increase for hourly rated men and \$20 monthly rated men.

6,000 railway and steamship clerks employed by the Canadian Pacific Railway, requesting wage increases and changes in working conditions. Their request now is before a board of conciliation.

500 Canadian National Railway sleeping, dining and parlor car service employees, requesting a wage increase of approximately 12 per cent.

The pressing for wage increases by the various classes of railroad employees follows the compromise on wages Canadian National Railway with effect by the Canadian Pacific and directors and trustees which averted a strike.

In a statement then issued, the railways expressed the realization that the wage concessions then made might make inevitable consideration of requests of other classes for increases.

## Welcomes Investigation

Hon. Chas. A. Dunning Issues Statement on Cancellation of Vancouver Hotel Contract.

Ottawa.—Hon. Charles A. Dunning, Minister of Railways and Canals, today comes a parliamentary investigation into the reason for cancelling the contract for erecting a \$5,000,000 Canadian National Railway hotel in Vancouver. The contract was authorized by the late government and was later cancelled by the present administration. Statements made in Vancouver by Mayor L. D. Taylor blaming the minister personally for the cancellation of the contract, has led to an exchange of telegrams. The minister issued the following statement regarding the hotel contract cancellation:

"I will welcome parliamentary investigation of the reason for cancelling the Vancouver hotel contract, authorized by the late government, and I will be glad to take the responsibility, as minister of railways, for recommending such cancellation to the government.

"Regarding the future, the president and board of directors of the railway company have not yet recommended provision for construction of a hotel in Vancouver in 1927.

"The mayor's intimation of unworthy motives is scarcely creditable on the part of the chief executive of a great city and is unworthy of an answer."

## Liquor Mystery

Victoria, B.C.—Detectives are attempting to solve, on behalf of the federal customs authorities, the provincial liquor control board, the mystery of the disappearance of a portion of the liquor cargo of the schooner Chris Moeller, which has been held in port here for nearly a month on recommendation of the customs commission which investigated conditions on the British Columbia coast last month, according to a story published by the Victoria Times.

To Meet at Winnipeg The Winnipeg Medical Association will hold its 1926 convention in Winnipeg, according to official notification received here. Selection of the Manitoba capital for this important gathering marks the third time that the organization has held its convention outside of the British Isles.

Was Pirated on Great Lakes Minneapolis.—Captain David H. Ross, pirate and first mate of the only corsair that ever raided the Great Lakes, who 2 years ago died from Eberhart, with a bullet in his head, is dead at his home here.

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## Will Make Survey Before Choosing Port

Harbor Expert to Examine Both Outlets for Bay Line

Ottawa.—With five and a half million cubic yards of material to move from the channel in Nelson Harbor, with an unknown sea bottom and a general lack of knowledge about the harbor, Frederick Palmer, the British expert called in by the government to advise on the Hudson's Bay Railway project, is not expected to make a report on the matter until he has made a personal survey. Mr. Palmer has left for England, but will return in July when the Hudson's Bay project is more accessible and will then go north to conduct his investigation.

Mr. Palmer has made a brief but thorough study of the reports and documentary evidence on the project. Officials of the railway department have been queried in a way they have not been questioned before. Mr. Palmer wanted facts, and he sought them, knowing by his long experience what facts he wanted. Railway department men declare he knew his job and has a thoroughgoing manner of making his inquiries.

The fact that Mr. Palmer cannot make his report before next fall at the earliest will not delay his work, it is said. There is much to be done on the railway section already constructed, much rehabilitation of the road to be effected. The government intends to carry the project to its logical conclusion, but will not be stampeded in rushing the work; only to find that it has taken the wrong route, built the port in the wrong place, made the wrong provisions for the ships that will come. It will be sure it is right, then go ahead.

Radio Telephone Service Is Ready

Callers Over Atlantic Phone Lines Mechanism Worth Millions

London.—Proof positive that everything is in readiness for the opening of trans-oceanic telephone service between London and New York, was provided by the announcement that already the London telephone operators who will be employed to make the connections between London and New York have thoroughly familiarized themselves with the names of all New York telephone exchanges.

Mr. Shaughnessy, the Assistant Engineer-in-Chief at the General Post Office, who is in charge of British wireless services, has had several conversations with New York, all of which were most satisfactory. The voices at the other end, he said, "were as clear as a bell." In fact, according to him those talking from New York across the ocean to London might have been in the next room instead of 3,000 miles away.

Mr. Shaughnessy called attention to the fact that since only one trans-Atlantic telephone conversation can go on at one time this means that each person speaking will be using exclusively for himself or herself something like \$5,000,000 worth of complicated telephone mechanism and equipment.

Palace Air Ship

New Air Line Between Spain and South America to be Patented

London.—A hotel of the air, that will provide every luxury available at the finest hostilities of the world, for persons travelling between Spain and South America is now building at Friedrichshafen, according to a despatch from the Geneva correspondent of the Daily Express.

The new air monster will be a dirigible capable of carrying 100 passengers, luggage, crew and mails.

It will be finished in September and will make a number of European trips before being put into the trans-Atlantic service.

Wheat Pool Official Weds Regina, Sask.—Archibald MacPhail, president of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool and the Inter-provincial selling agency for the western Canadian wheat pools, and Miss Marion Grenfell Baird, Regina, were married recently at Springfield, Mass.

MacPhail was secretary to Mr. MacPhail, when he was holding the position of secretary-treasurer of the Saskatchewan Grain Growers' association.

Presentation to Lt.-Gov. Cockshutt Toronto.—Lieutenant-Governor Harry Cockshutt, of Ontario, at government house was the recipient of a valuable piece of gold plate, the gift of a number of Toronto's prominent citizens. Sir William Mulock, chief justice of Ontario, made the presentation and referred in a brief address to the high esteem in which his honor was held by the citizens of Toronto generally.

## French Plans For Atlantic Flight Fail

Funds Needed and Completed Planes Unsatisfactory In Tests

Paris.—France is losing ground in preparations for the Paris-New York non-stop flight due to the financial difficulties facing some of the builders, and the little success of certain models tested by others.

The Giant Penhoet hydroplane built at St. Nazaire and tried through the summer, has been found too slow to make the Atlantic crossing because of excessive weight. The de Monge single-wing flying boat which Boussole hoped to use next summer was never completed due to the builder's failure to obtain funds.

It is now reported that the company which was building an aeroplane for Transocean has failed and the constructors are looking around for money to complete a trans-Atlantic plane and to continue to manufacture other planes. This company holds the world's speed record of 433 kilometers an hour.

Whatever may be the result of the campaign, it now appears that the French prospects of winning the Paris-New York prize for 1927 are very slim, although there seems no immediate danger of another country beating them.

## SITUATION IN CHINA ASSUMES GRAVE ASPECT

Shanghai.—White foreigners endangered as a result of anti-foreign agitation number more than 1,000 in Hankow and the neighboring city of Wu-chang, headquarters of the Cantonese government.

The little foreign colony, 585 miles from the mouth of the Yangtze, is in the midst of a hostile Chinese population of more than 3,500,000, inflamed by speeches of radical leaders who have detailed alleged wrongs from which the Chinese have suffered at the hands of British and other foreigners, but more particularly the British.

Suspicion was expressed here that the Cantonese government leaders were aware of the attacks contemplated upon the British concession before they took place—the complex being strengthened by the slowness with which Cantonese troops went to the aid of the British when the concession was attacked. Not until rioting had been proceeding for four hours on that day did the Cantonese troops appear.

The Cantonese government has issued many declarations of its intention to abolish all foreign concessions in China and to end the asserted "imperialism" of Great Britain, United States and other foreign nations.

London.—All missionaries have been ordered to quit their stations in the interior of China, a Peking dispatch to The Daily Mail asserts.

Reports of anti-Christian killings in the Yangtze regions and Szechwan are being received daily, the correspondents add. Missionaries have been maltreated, the women assaulted and the mission stations looted.

On Funds For Half Century London.—The Commercial Travellers' Benevolent Institution has just received news of the death of one of its founders. This woman was on the funds for half a century. Her late husband had subscribed \$16 in 1876. She benefited from the institution to the extent of about \$7,000.

Killed In Avalanche Moscow.—An avalanche in the Khakassky district of Siberia has killed 23 miners. The great mass of snow and ice completely engulfed a number of miners' barracks.

Testing Out Oil Fields Edmonton.—Twelve oil companies are either drilling or have sites located in the Ribstone district near the border of Alberta and Saskatchewan. The present year will see this oil field thoroughly tested.

Scottish Lassies for Canadian Homes This clerical group of young women is only a part of the large number of domestics that have been brought to Canada this year by the Salvation Army.

The Canadian Pacific liner "Montclair" carried this happy party across the water recently. They are now located at various centres across the country and many will doubtless find permanent homes here, not as hired help but as wives of some Canadian young men. Some of these young women came from Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Ayr, but the majority of them are from Glasgow and district. The Salvation Army have sent 600 girls to Canada this year in accordance with an agreement with the Canadian government.

## OPPOSITION OF U. S. PRESIDENT TO LARGER NAVY

Washington.—President Coolidge has sought to spike the guns of "big navy" men in the House with a warning that budget estimates for the department for the next fiscal year must not be over-stopped.

Intervening at a time when sentiment in the House favorable to the construction, was growing, the President, in a letter to Representative French, Republican, Idaho, in charge of the naval supply bill, declared the budget "represents my best judgment and that I feel it my duty to defend it and support it."

Accepting the warning as a challenge, Representative French, Republican, Illinois, a member of the naval committee and an advocate of a larger navy, told the House that "when the President is wrong I refuse to follow him, and he is wrong in this instance."

Several sections of the measure, among them those to maintain the navy's personnel at its present strength, were approved recently, but under agreement the more controversial provisions, including those relating to cruisers, were held over.

## Uniformity of Butter Grading

Dairymen Meet at Saskatoon to Discuss Question

Saskatoon.—Improvement of the quality of butter for the British market to meet competition, not only from the British dominions, but also from the butter exporting countries of Europe, such as Denmark, Holland and Latvia, was the subject of the discussion at the conference of dairymen and government officials here.

Discussions centered around efforts to secure uniformity of cream and butter grading. Definite action in connection with any changes was deferred until the meeting of the Western Canada Dairy Convention at Edmonton on February 9, 10, 11 and 12, which producers and manufacturers of the four western provinces will meet. Delegates from Manitoba, Alberta and Saskatchewan were present at the meeting.

## Taking Census of Russia

Soviet Officials Report 145,000,000 But Returns are Incomplete

Riga, Latvia.—Russia's population at present numbers 145,000,000, according to incomplete returns which Communist Oslavsky has received from 100,000 Soviet officials who are trying to gather complete statistical facts regarding the inhabitants of the Union of Soviet Republics.

Reports to date, Mr. Oslavsky says, show a decrease, and the census takers say the population regards them as agents of the devil, working against Christ, whom they believe is preparing to end the world.

Will Visit Canada London.—Premier J. G. Coates of New Zealand, who came here for the Imperial Conference, was a passenger on the Aquitania sailing Jan. 4 for New York. Later he will go to Montreal and thence to Vancouver.

He expects to reach New Zealand in time to welcome the Duke and Duchess of York, who have left for their trip to the Antipodes on H.M.S. Renown.

Testing Out Oil Fields Edmonton.—Twelve oil companies are either drilling or have sites located in the Ribstone district near the border of Alberta and Saskatchewan. The present year will see this oil field thoroughly tested.

## Heavy Hail Losses Paid

Saskatchewan Farmers Receive \$1,250,000 in Insurance During Past Year

Regina.—Payment of hail losses during 1926 to 5,200 farmers in Saskatchewan by the Saskatchewan Municipal Hail Insurance Association amounted to \$1,250,000, states J. J. Lamb, secretary manager.

The total payment for hail losses for the whole of 1926 will be completed at the end of the fiscal year, January 31, 1927, and submitted to the annual meeting of the directors January 15 in the association's office in Regina. The annual convention will be held March 1, in Prince Albert, and the agenda for the convention will be drawn up at the meeting of the directors.

The three retiring directors of the association are: J. J. Lamb, Regina; R. E. Van Fossen, Lacombe; and J. R. Neer, Pinhook.

Despite the doubling of the figures of 1926 in comparison with claims and payments during 1925, Mr. Lamb stated, the reserve fund of the association would not be impaired in any way. He stated that while the amount was unusual yet an addition to the reserve fund would be made.

It is expected the total payment on hail losses during 1926 will amount to approximately \$1,275,000. There are still 20 claims pending and ownership of the policies and to whom payment should be made must be decided before cheques are issued in payment. All this work is likely to be completed before January 31.

## Find Interesting Documents

Attempt to Save Life of Late Czar Disclosed in Records

Leningrad.—Stored away in the winter palace, telegraphic records of attempts made to save the lives of the late Czar of Russia and his family during the days preceding their murder were found by research workers today.

Three hundred messages that passed between members of the Korynsky region, all of them relating to protection of the exiled Imperial family, were among the documents found. Coded telegrams that referred to Nicholas Lenin have not yet been decoded.

Guard Valuable Paintings London.—Strong police forces are patrolling the galleries of the Royal Academy day and night protecting Flemish masterpieces valued at £100,000 (about \$800,000) which have been collected from all parts of the world for a temporary exhibition. Never has the famous academy housed anything so precious.

## MANY APPLY FOR CHANGES IN CUSTOMS TARIFF

Ottawa.—Applications for changes in the customs tariff continue to accumulate in the office of the tariff advisory board.

The number of investigations now under way is forty, an increase of four in the last few weeks. The board will continue to continue several of these, and further sessions are expected to take place before the close of the month. There is increasing evidence that organizations of business men and others are taking keen interest in the work of the board and are preparing to use the facilities it offers to get their point of view before those whose responsibility it is to decide on questions of tariff policy.

Word has been received that the Canadian Council of Agriculture is submitting a memorandum on the application for an increase in duty on corn and cane syrups. The council, also, intervened in the application for increase in duties on fruits and vegetables.

Of the forty applications now before the board one-half are for tariff increases and the other for decreases. The applications cover a wide range of commodities.

There are six cases relating to textiles, which are of vital interest to manufacturers and importers of garments and gallardies, cottons, woolen goods, and similar goods; four of the applications relate to machinery of various kinds, such as pumps and pump parts, water wheel governors, small hand sprayers, electric and power plants and so forth; three applications refer to the iron and steel industry; three to chemicals, two to wood products; two to food products; two to the pulp and paper industry; and two to ropes and twines; while there are other problems referred to the board respecting coal and coke, magnesite, oil, player piano music rolls, furniture, objects of art, tin, livestock and leather products.

Make It Easy for Canadians Washington, D.C.—Following a hearing before the House committee on immigration and a conference with Senator Johnson and also a conference with Secretary of Labor Davis, representatives of the Canadian Club of both, producers of liquor, would be legislation this session to make it easy for Canadians who entered the United States between 1906 and 1926 to become United States citizens.

Saskatchewan Liquor Board Regina.—Increasing the membership of the Saskatchewan liquor board from one to two, the Saskatchewan government will seek legislative sanction for amending the Liquor act to provide for the administration being under the direction of the board instead of the executive council.

Girl Inherits \$3 Millions Somerville, N.J.—Fifteen-year-old Doris Duke, probably the richest girl of her age in the world, is worth \$3,451,069. It is shown in an accounting by her father, James Buchanan Duke, tobacco magnate.

## HOW EX-SOLDIERS SUCCEED UNDER SETTLEMENT PLAN

Ottawa.—More than 30,000 ex-soldiers have benefited under the Soldier Settlement legislation of 1917 and 1919. Over 24,000 have received direct financial assistance and 6,500 have been given free grants of Dominion lands without financial aid.

In a survey covering nearly 9 years of operation, Major E. J. Ashton, commissioner of the Soldier Settlement Board of Canada, gives the proportions of successes and failures among the soldiers who took up land. "During 1925-26," stated the commissioner, "soldier settlers paid well on to \$4,000,000 dollars into the Dominion treasury, a sum which, in addition to covering all administrative costs, more than suffices to provide the funds used during the year for general colonization purposes including advances under the 3,000 British family scheme.

"There were 7,287 settlers with payments due in 1925-26. Of these 8,420 met their payment in full, 6,930 made part payments and 4,541 made no payments. As at November 30 last, 918 had repaid their loans; of these 518 were still farming and 400 had sold their farms. Among those who have repaid their loans, 1,000 are those whose success in the difficult post-war years has been amazing. Some who started with little are today rated by their bankers as worth \$5,000 to \$20,000, all made from the land. They are by no means unusual among the cases which have passed out of our jurisdiction and are well re-established and are today a credit to the communities in which they live."

Renown Sails With Royal Passengers

Duke and Duchess of York Start on Long Trip

Portsmouth, England.—The Duke and Duchess of York, boarding the battle cruiser Renown, on which the Prince of Wales made his great tour some years ago, have started on their \$1,000-mile pleasure-traveling voyage designed to lighten the bonds between the Mother Country and the Dominions of New Zealand and Australia.

The Prince of Wales, Prince Henry and Prince George accompanied the Royal voyagers for Port of Spain, the Premier Baldwin and other Government officials, as well as the Earl and Countess of Strathmore, parents of the Duchess, also were at the station. The King and Queen, who, as the Duke and Duchess of York, made the same trip a quarter of a century ago, affectionately kissed the travellers goodbye and appeared just as excited at the parting as the Duke and Duchess themselves.

Liabilities Are Smaller

But Commercial Failures in Canada Show Slight Increase

Toronto.—A small increase in the number of commercial failures, but a considerable decrease in liabilities, is shown by the report of failures for 1926, compiled by R. G. Dun and Company.

With a total of 21,773 last year's defaults exceed by a little more than 2 per cent those for 1925, whereas an indebtedness estimated at \$409,232,278 for the 12 months just ended is nearly 8 per cent below the amount for the immediately preceding year.

The number of involuntaries is the largest reported for any year since 1922, but the liabilities are the smallest for all years back to 1920.

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## Here and There

Well over two hundred members of executive clubs in Montreal and other centres in Quebec, left over the Canadian Pacific lines recently to attend the annual convention of the Canadian and U.S. Snowshoe Unions at Manchester, N.H.

Japan ranks third in world tonnage. Great Britain heads the list with an aggregate tonnage of 21,382,000 tons, the United States second with 12,740,000 tons and Japan third with 4,000,000 tons; Germany follows with 3,000,000 tons.

Nearly 100 messengers of the Canadian Pacific Telegraphs were the guests of the Company at a banquet in the Windsor Street Station banquet hall recently. The complimentary dinner was tendered to the boys as a token of appreciation of the service rendered to the company and the public in their daily delivery of telegraph messages throughout Montreal.

Immigration to Canada for the calendar year 1926 was 185,984, compared with 84,907 for 1925, a gain of 60 per cent. Of the total new arrivals 48,819 came from the British Isles; 20,944 from the United States and 66,221 from other countries. Returned Canadians in the period totalled 62,293, as against 88,897 in 1925.

Figures submitted at the annual convention of the Nova Scotia Dairymen's Association showed 27 creameries operating in the province in 1926, producing 4,704,000 pounds of butter, or an increase of 5 1/2 per cent. over the production of 1925. The increase in value was \$423,816.

J. E. Martin, superintendent of the fish culture service of Alberta, announces that nearly 800,000 brown trout eggs have safely arrived from Wisconsin at the Banff hatchery, and that the trout, which are closely related to the Loch Leven trout, will be distributed throughout the tributaries of the Red Deer River, Alberta.

E. W. Beatty announced recently that the Canadian Pacific is to build a thousand room hotel on the site of the old "Queen's" at Toronto. The new hotel will be on Front Street opposite the new Union Station, which is to be opened in June, and it will be the largest and finest of the famous line of Canadian Pacific hotels, and it will be Toronto's first big modern hotel entirely owned and operated by a Canadian company.

### SUN LIFE ANNUAL STATEMENT

The Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada continues to eclipse its own transcendent records. At the annual meeting for 1927, which has just been held, President T. B. Macaulay was able to report that the total business paid for in 1926 amounted to \$265,889,546, double that of 1924—only two years ago. The assurances in force now exceed one and a quarter billions of dollars.

The Sun Life has become much more than our greatest Canadian company. It is one of the leading Life Insurance companies of the world. Its growth is equally arresting whether compared with its own record or with the totals of insurance on this continent. The increase of its business at risk in 1926 is greater than the entire business carried by the Sun Life at the outbreak of the war. It has now more business in force than the total life assurance in force in all Canada, with all companies, Canadian and foreign, when war was declared. Latest reports indicate that the general increase in life insurance secured during 1926 in the United States and Canada is six per cent in excess of 1925. The Sun Life's increase for the year is 37 1/2 per cent.

Fully keeping step with this great access of business, the assets of the Company have increased during the past twelve months by \$42,195,000, swelling the total to \$345,251,000. The Company's assets have multiplied five times in the last twelve years.

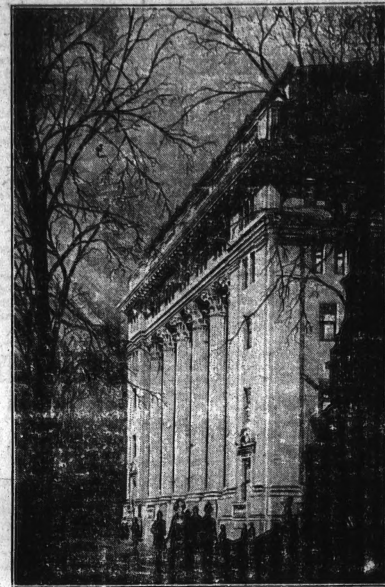
The Company's successful investment policy is reflected in an analysis of its securities. Government valuers appraise a further increase in the excess value of the Company's securities over cost of nearly \$7,000,000. A profit of \$1,700,000 has been realized by the redemption or sale of

# SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA A TOWER OF STRENGTH

## 1926

ASSURANCES IN FORCE (net)	\$1,256,490,000
An Increase of	\$235,393,000
New Assurances Paid For	265,889,000
An Increase of	\$72,412,000
Total Income	78,972,000
An Increase of	\$9,825,000
Payments to Policyholders and Beneficiaries	38,576,000
Total Payments Since Organization	257,816,000
Reserve for Unforeseen Contingencies	11,000,000
Surplus over all Liabilities and Contingency Reserve	34,011,000
An Increase of	\$5,371,000
ASSETS at December 31, 1926	345,251,000
An Increase of	\$42,195,000

*Dividends to Policyholders increased for seventh successive year*



### EXTRACTS FROM DIRECTORS' REPORT

The operations during the past year have resulted in substantial advances in all departments.

The new policies paid for . . . almost double the figures of two years ago.

The assurances in force, after deduction of re-assurances, . . . show an increase of . . . over twenty-three per cent.

Policies and group certificates now outstanding aggregate well in excess of half a million.

The figures relating to resources and earning power are equally satisfactory.

The high quality and profitable character of our investments has again been demonstrated. As a result of continued reduction in prevailing rates of interest, and of satisfactory industrial conditions, there has been a further rise in the market values of our long-term bonds and of our preferred and other stocks. The appraisal of our securities made by the Government Insurance Department shows that the excess of market values over cost has increased during the year by \$6,894,266.26. In addition, the sum of \$1,729,364.52 has been realized as net profit from the redemption or sale of municipal debentures and other securities which had risen to high premiums. The rate of interest earned on the mean invested assets has also risen to the remarkable figure of 6.69 per cent, as the result of substantial dividend increases, bonuses, and

stock privileges received in connection with many of our holdings.

The quality of the investments listed in the assets may be judged from the fact that on 99.55 per cent of the bonds and on 99.71 per cent of the preferred stocks, not one dollar of interest or dividend is in arrear for even one day. On our common stocks the dividends now being received are greatly in excess of the dividends payable on the same stocks at time of purchase.

The total surplus earned during the year amounted to \$20,457,077.28. From this the following appropriations have been made:

The sum of \$2,000,000 has been deducted from the official valuation of our securities to provide for possible fluctuations in market values. This raises the amount set aside for this purpose to \$5,000,000. In other words, the value at which our securities are carried in the balance sheet is \$5,000,000 less than the appraisal made by the Government authorities.

The account to provide for unforeseen contingencies has been increased by \$1,000,000 bringing the total under this heading to \$11,000,000.

The book value of our Head Office building has been written down by a further sum of \$250,000 though it certainly could not be replaced at even its original cost.

An additional amount of \$400,000 has been set aside to provide for greater longevity of annuitants. The total held under this heading in excess of Government requirements, is now \$1,500,000.

The reserves on the newly acquired business of the Cleveland Life, and on other re-assured policies, have been raised to the same high standard as that used for the valuation of liabilities under our own contracts.

To our policyholders, profits have been paid or allotted during the year to the amount of \$9,235,526.80.

After making these deductions and allocations an addition of \$5,371,564.56 has been made to the undivided profits. The surplus over all liabilities, contingency accounts and capital stock, now stands at \$34,011,565.25.

For six years in succession we have increased the profits to participating policyholders. During this period our profit scale has been doubled. While the assurances in force have multiplied two and a half times since 1920, the amount paid or allotted as profits to policyholders has multiplied five and a half times. We are gratified to announce, for the seventh consecutive time, a further increase in the scale of profits to be distributed to our policyholders in the ensuing year.

# SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA

C. J. TOMPKINS, BLAIRMORE, ALBERTA  
PASS DISTRICT AGENT

municipal debentures and other holdings which had arisen to high premiums. The rate earned on the mean invested assets for the year rose to the phenomenal figure of 6.69 per cent, this being contributed to by dividend increases, bonuses and other privileges granted on the Company's holdings.

From the total surplus earned during the year, \$20,457,077, the Company has made large and prudent appropriations. After making these al-

locations, which add substantially to the unassailable security of the Company, an addition of \$5,175,564 has been added to undivided profits, bringing the total surplus over all liabilities, contingency accounts and capital stock to \$34,011,565.

Perhaps, however, the features of the report of outstanding interest to the public are those relating particularly to benefits to policyholders. During the year, profits amounting to \$9,235,526 were paid or allotted to

policyholders, this amount being eight times in excess of the amount paid out ten years ago. For six years past, increases in profits to policyholders have been announced, resulting in a doubling of the profits scale during that period. For the seventh successive time a further increase is announced. The great total of \$38,576,168 has been paid out during the year in respect of death-claims, matured endowments, etc., bringing the total so paid since organization to

\$257,816,174.

The high rate of interest earned enables the Company to distribute profits on the assumption of 5 1/2 per cent per annum being earned on the reserves. The same rate of interest is being allotted to beneficiaries on the proceeds of matured endowments and death claims left with the Company. In this way again, policyholders are participating in the great prosperity of the Company.

Not the least gratifying portion of

the report is the fine showing of business written within the Dominion. Here again a new record is established for Canada in a massive aggregate of \$102,000,000 of paid assurances.

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## Here and There

At a meeting of the fox breeders of the Annapolis Valley, held at Middleton, it was stated that silver black foxes in captivity in the province number approximately 10,000 which, at a low valuation of \$200 each, makes a total value of \$2,000,000. The annual revenue to the ranchers is placed at \$600,000.

What is practically the first sheet copper mined, refined and rolled in Canada is now at Regina to go on the roof of the new Canadian Pacific Hotel there. At St. Regina and at Banff, where magnificent new hotels are being erected by that Company, Canadian materials will be used in the building of the new Toronto hotel.

The population of the Prairie Provinces in 1926 was 2,067,682, according to the census taken in that year. This compares with 1,698,177 in 1916 and 809,646 in 1906. In the twenty year period Manitoba has increased its inhabitants from 365,583 to 639,056; Saskatchewan from 257,768 to 821,042; and Alberta from 188,195 to 607,584.

In view of pressure on the transportation facilities of the Canadian Pacific Railway when the full tide of immigration and harvest travel is felt in the coming summer and fall months, the railway has already taken steps to cope with this by sending 216 colonist cars for repair and overhauling to the Angus Shops, the work to be finished upon them not later than April 1st.

Professor W. L. Carlyle, manager of the Prince of Wales ranch, near High River, is en route to England where he will consult his royal employer regarding business matters pertaining to the ranch, purchase new stock and arrange for the usual year by year extension of the Prince's commercial activities in Alberta.

The presentation of 12 first class awards to members of the Montreal terminals staff by A. D. MacTier, vice-president in charge of C.P.R. eastern lines recently, brings the total number of awards offered by Montreal employees of the Canadian Pacific during the past year up to 78. The number of employees passing the necessary yearly tests is increasing, over 700 employees at the Angus Shops alone now efficient in the work.

The weight of a woman's first baking is usually equal to twice the weight of the ingredients.

Canada's wool production in 1926 is estimated at 17,180,270 pounds, as compared with 15,553,045 pounds in 1925. The value of the clip of 1926 is estimated provisionally at \$3,730,000, as compared with \$3,901,000 in 1925. Ontario led in production with 4,286,313 pounds, followed by Quebec with 4,860,116 pounds. Alberta led in Western Canada with a yield of 2,400,000 pounds.

New trade arrangements will be made between Canada and Cuba as the result of the visit of the Canadian Minister of Finance to that country. Canada will receive preferential treatment from Cuba and the products of that country will be admitted to Canada on terms similar to those extended to France and other favored nations. During the twelve months ended November, 1926, imports from Cuba totalled \$8,074,101 and exports to Cuba \$8,099,380.

Peted by the Governor of the State, the Mayor and many other prominent people of Columbus, Ohio, has been the experience of Sam Glode, Micmac guide of the Milford Camp in Nova Scotia, who arrived at the Windsor Station, Montreal, recently, on his return from a two weeks visit to Columbus, where he attended the convention and banquet of the League of Ohio Sportsmen. Glode is noted throughout the woods of Nova Scotia for his uncanny ability at moose calling, addressed the gathering of over 1,500 sportsmen on Canadian hunting facilities, particularly in reference to Nova Scotia.

February will see the winter sports at the carnival at its height, at the Chateau Frontenac, Quebec. On the 4th and 5th the foremost speed racers in America will compete in the Canadian Indoor Speed Skating Championship for all distances and ages. Hockey, snowshoeing, bobbed racing, ski-ing, will be going on every day of the month, but the outstanding event will be the Eastern International Dog Sled Derby, February 21-23, which will cover the 120 miles of the race at the rate of 40 miles a day. Teams from the United States and Canada will compete, and it is understood there will be a woman competitor in the race.

The boys of the Blainmore Tuxis Junior team, together with their manager and captain, were guests at a dinner given in the Tea Kettle Inn on Monday night by the management and guests of the Greenhill hotel and others.

Skiing in the Laurentians is becoming ever-popular in Quebec. To cope with the greatly increased traffic of winter sports lovers the Canadian Pacific Railway Company are operating special trains into the mountains during the week ends, from January 9 to March 13. Canadian winter sports are attracting a great number of Americans of late. This was evidenced by the in-rush of visitors at the Chateau Frontenac at Quebec city, who came across the border during the Christmas and the New Year's season.

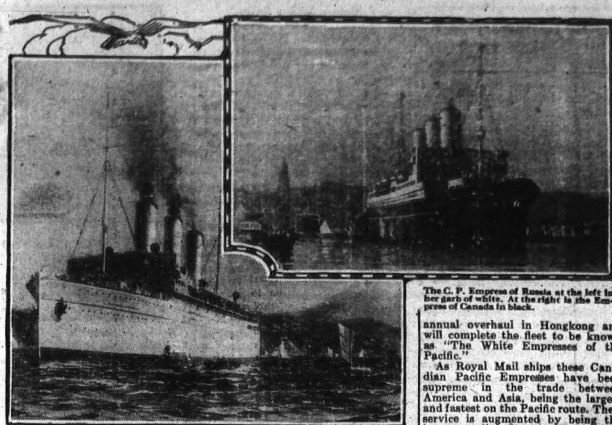
Beaver trapping will be permitted, under an order-in-council just issued, throughout the upper part of the province of Alberta, north of the 55th parallel. Within these bounds the close season, which now holds for the whole province and for the whole year, will be opened for four months, January 1 to April 30.

The classic dog sled derby of the East is drawing near. On February 21, 22 and 23 some of the most famous huskie teams in America will battle for supreme honors at Quebec city in the Eastern International Dog Sled Derby. The total distance of the race is 120 miles. Cruelly to the dogs during this hard grind is eliminated owing to the fact that the rules require that any dog unable to finish the race must be carried on the dog sled to the finishing post. The first prize is \$1,000 cash. A grand masquerade ball at the Chateau Frontenac, the general headquarters of the winter sports season, will be the finale of the Dog Derby.

Immigration to Canada in the first six months of 1926 amounted to 70,253, compared with 43,241 in the same period a year ago, an increase of 62 per cent, according to a statement issued by the Department of Immigration and Colonization. In the period under review British immigration increased from 20,412 to 27,849; immigration from the United States increased from 8,036 to 10,937 and from other countries increased from 14,785 to 31,367. Immigration for the month of June amounted to 12,191, an increase of 50% over June a year ago.

The many friends of Mr. Gordon Steeves will be glad to learn that he is progressing as well as can be expected and will likely be removed from the Holy Cross hospital to his home the latter part of next week. It will be some weeks, however, before he will be able to return to Blainmore.

## "The White Empresses of the Pacific"



The C. P. Empress of Russia at the left in line of white, at the right is the Empress of Canada in black.

A striking note of interest comes in one of the first announcements for 1927 from the office of the Chairman of the Canadian Pacific Steamships, Mr. E. W. Beatty. "The White Empresses of the Pacific" will again be the connecting transportation link between Canada and the Orient. The company's palatial fleet of monster steamships on the Pacific ocean will assume its former glory of being garbed in white.

The Empress of Asia will arrive in Vancouver on Jan. 24, and will be the first to arrive in Canadian waters since the Empress of Asia was painted white. According to the official order, the white paint will be topped off by a suitable shade of Pacific blue around the sheer line streak of the vessels. This was used when the three-ferret fleet

was formerly painted white, and the effect acclaimed the ships among the most attractive in world commerce. On Feb. 13 the blue-ribbon ship of the Pacific, the 21,600 ton Empress of Canada, will arrive in Vancouver and from Hongkong to Vancouver and from Yokohama to the Canadian port in eight days, ten hours and fifty-three minutes. The blue line from stem to stern will be a fitting tribute to the flagship's power and to Canada's enterprising trade relations with the Far East.

Arriving in Vancouver on March 6, the Empress of Russia, the 16,900 ton sister-ship to the Empress of Asia, will be the third to arrive of

annual overhaul in Hongkong and will complete their fleet to be known as "The White Empresses of the Pacific."

As Royal Mail ships these Canadian Pacific Empresses have been supreme in the trade between America and Asia, being the largest and fastest on the Pacific route. Their service is augmented by being the important link between Europe and the Orient by one transportation system, the largest in the world, the Canadian Pacific.

Sailing in both directions every three weeks, these ships, which are the last word in floating architecture, have attained great popularity with the world traveler. They have carried to the markets of the world the treasures of Oriental merchandise as well as vast cargoes of such commodities as tea and rice. In the world war these Empresses played no small part in the protection of the Allied interests on the Pacific.

In consequence the announcement from the chief executive of the company to the effect that the fleet is again to be known as "The White Empresses of the Pacific" meets the

Mr. J. Watkins Evans, managing director of the Corbin Coal Company, was in town over the week end, the request of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Donkin.

Mrs. Morency, Mrs. Joyce and Mrs. Davis, who represented Crowfoot, Rebekah Lodge at the annual Rebekah Assembly in Calgary, returned home on Sunday morning.

An exchange remarks: Either they don't need it or else it's not genuine, but you never hear any talk about Scotland sending over any marines or warships to protect her Scotch.

## Antwerp Honors Canadian Pacific Ship



(1) Street in Antwerp near the port. In the background the famous cathedral. (2) On the bridge of the Melita, W. D. Grosset, managing director, Canadian Pacific, Belgium; Captain A. H. Notley, of the Melita; and Mayor Van Cauwelaert, Burgomaster of Antwerp. (3) Canadian Pacific liner Melita.

Honor was brought to the British shipping world and more especially to the Canadian Pacific liner Melita when on November 14th, she steamed into the harbor of Antwerp and because she was a Canadian Pacific ship. He pointed out that this vessel, the S.S. Minnigoes, the S.S. Montclair and the S.S. Montclair all used the port and during the current year had carried over 10,000 passengers.

Burgomaster Van Cauwelaert read a telegram of congratulation from H. M. the King of Belgium. It was as follows: "I thank you for your thoughtfulness in communicating to me this happy news, and I send to the city of Antwerp with my heartiest congratulations, my sincerest wishes for the ever-growing increase of traffic of the port, most important factor in the prosperity of the country. (Signed) Albert."

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port. Its reputation was very high in shipping circles all over the world.

Capt. Notley also addressed the gathering in a humorous speech which closed the proceedings. At night Captain Notley, his officers and crew were entertained at the City Hall at a reception tendered by the Mayor and Aldermen at which Governor Baron Holvoet, Camille Huysmans, Minister of Science and Arts, members of the consular bodies and leading shipping and commercial men were present. Mayor Van Cauwelaert read a telegram from M. Jaspard, Prime Minister of Belgium, announcing that Mr. Grosset and Harbor-Master Captain Stocker had been nominated Knights of the Order of King Leopold. The Mayor in his address took the opportunity to express to the Canadian Pacific Railway his sentiments of esteem and gratitude for a company which in the past twenty years had been a regular customer of the port. He then handed over to Capt. Notley the present given by the city to the crew of the 10,000th ship to enter the port in 1926. Capt. Notley and the leading guests then wrote their names in the Golden Book of the City of Antwerp.



WORLD HAPPENINGS  
BRIEFLY TOLD

Leipzig, Germany, has inaugurated most intensive tests known for prospective motor drivers.

School boys of England are being taken to New Zealand and instructed in farming under a plan of the Chamber of Commerce of Taranaki, N.Z.

Duelling with rapier, a favorite pre-war pastime of German students fraternities, has been declared unlawful by the supreme court of Leipzig.

The British Admiralty has ordered the construction of a 10,000 ton cruiser. The cruiser, which is provided for in the current naval estimates, will be built in Glasgow.

Approximately one passenger out of 1,500,000 carried is killed on Canadian steam railways, according to returns to the railway department. One passenger out of each 111,000 is injured.

The Blue Star liner Arandora, 14,000 tons, fifth and last of a fleet of new vessels for a fast fortnightly service between London and South American ports, was launched recently.

Three eclipses of the sun, two eclipses of the moon and the transit of the planet Mercury over the sun's discs are all included in the program for 1927. It is stated by Professor A. J. Kelly, of the McGill Observatory, Montreal.

By an overwhelming vote the U.S. Senate refused to consider in open session the treaty of Lausanne, which would re-establish diplomatic and commercial relations with Turkey. The treaty is opposed by a number of Democrats.

Col. C. R. Willette, commander of the Princess Patricia's Regiment since 1920, with headquarters in Winnipeg, has been promoted to headquarters staff in Ottawa. Major M. R. T. Broecker will succeed Col. Willette as commander.

God drinking in Russia has become so great an evil that the commissariats of health, justice and the interior are jointly drafting up severe measures to repress it. They propose to forcibly seize chronic alcoholics whenever they are found intoxicated and to subject them to a drastic sobering treatment in hospitals.

## Held Unique Party

British Chancellor of Exchequer Host to His Government

Winston Churchill, as a boy at Harrow, always was getting into scrapes. Even today the Chancellor of the Exchequer is fond of anything out of the ordinary.

Mr. Churchill is one of the youngest of British statesmen, having just celebrated his fifty-second birthday. But his colleagues contend that he will still enjoy a joke if he lives to be a hundred.

Mr. Churchill's latest "scrape" relates to a lot of elderly women whom he met in the hallway leading to his office. All carried little bags. Wondering what delegation was calling upon him so early, Mr. Churchill's inquiry elicited the fact that the crowd was made up of chambermaids.

They did not want to see the Chancellor of the Exchequer at all but all were waiting for their pay. Mr. Churchill decided to get better acquainted with them. As the Christian spirit was in the house, the first woman forth that all these "nice old ladies" were to come into the Chancellor's office at noon the next day. And they did.

Mrs. Churchill was there, too, to assist the husband in looking after the guests of one of the strangest meal-time affairs Great Britain had experienced.

## War On Communism

British Labor Leaders Will Launch Campaign Immediately

The London Daily Express says the most influential of Great Britain's moderate Labor leaders have decided to declare open war against the Communists in the trade unions.

The reported decision is due to the extremist minority starting a campaign to undermine the official leaders of the union, the paper adds. The campaign against the Communists, it understands, will be launched immediately after a conference of trade union executives, to be held this month.

## Wheat Pool Membership

The membership of the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool has reached a total of 80,245 representing 10,642,182 acres of wheat signed up. The membership of the Coarse Grains Pool was at a recent compilation 27,908, covering the following acreage: oats, 1,890,566; barley, 379,437; flax, 378,239; and rye 113,589.

There is more true philosophy in a pinch of laughter than there is in a yard of sarcasm.

W. N. U. 1663

## History In Sun Spots

Great Phases Occur During Phenomenon

Another great war within two years, caused by the culmination of a period of sun spot activity, is among the possibilities, according to Prof. A. Tikhonov of the University of Moscow.

His paper, sent from Russia, was read before the meteorological section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The Russian declared that all great wars had followed periods of intense sun spot activity.

Some of the great events which the writer declared had occurred during periods of sun spot activity included the fall of the Moorish empire in Spain and the discovery of America in 1492; the French revolution in 1789; the Russian revolution of 1917, and a long series of catastrophes from 1840 down to 1916; all of the crusades, the great migrations of nations; the early persecutions of the Christians.

St. Bartholomew's massacre, the downfall of Byzantium, the French revolution of 1793, the rise of the Gaul in 985, of Cromwell, Richard III, Washington, Lenin, the great battles of the world; the great epidemics from cholera in Persia in 1370, when the sun spots could be seen with the naked eye, also included as events which occurred during periods of intense sun spot activity.

"In 1927 and 1929," said the writer, "when the eleven year period of sun spot activity attains its maximum, and when this maximum will coincide with the maxima of two other periods of sixty years and thirty-five years, there will be a great human activity of the highest historical importance, which may again change the political chart of the world."

## Queer Diet Proved Fatal

Colonel of Royal Irish Regiment Starved on Raw Vegetables and Biscuits

As the result of reading books on dieting, Lieut. Col. Felix Call, formerly of the Royal Irish Regiment, and residing at Globe Farm, Crowhurst, starved himself to death.

At the inquest conducted at Crowhurst by the Hastings coroner, Mrs. Cramp, employed at the farm, explained that for breakfast, Col. Call had, as a rule, one orange and two grapes. His midday meal consisted of one potato, half a lettuce or two or three raw cabbage leaves, one teaspoonful of raw scraped carrots, one teaspoonful of raw scraped beetroot, two raw blueberries, and a little butter. He refused all other food.

A doctor stated that deceased refused to take an all-round diet which was prescribed. Death was due to heart failure following starvation. The coroner, who returned a verdict in accordance with medical evidence, observed that the starvation was self-imposed in the wrong opinion that it was the right thing to do. It was a peculiar and distorted view.

## Says Men Make Best Cooks

More Interested In Things to Eat

According to British Novelists

Men are more interested in food and therefore make the best cooks, declared Norman Venner, novelist, in the London Sororist, official organ of the Sororist Club.

"No woman should ever be a cook, as men make much better, being more interested in things to eat," says Mr. Venner, who contends that no woman should ever be captain of a ship as the sea is too masculine an element.

No woman, he goes on, should ever be in charge of an automatic road drill, or a steam crane, or a battery of howitzers; no woman should ever be a soldier, sailor, tinker, tramp, professional wrestler, diver or roller-skater. But apart from these the world of human effort is open to the woman.

"And I for one," says the author, "only hope they will get on with it in large number."

The writer takes a fling at the men in his article in the feminist magazine, especially the politicians and labor leaders here, who, he claims, in connection with the coal industry "joke" have made a mess of things.

## Manitoba Butter Makers

Put Manitoba Government duplicated the price for butter sixteen successive times, Manitoba buttermakers at the Royal Winter Show, Toronto, by presenting them each with a cheque of a similar amount. Manitoba, in 1926, won twice as many prizes as were won by any other province of the Dominion.

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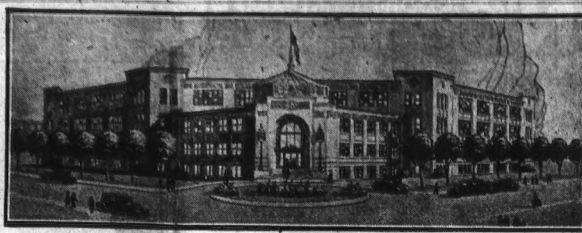
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Valer—your hawth is ready, sir. "Aw, I say, Hawkins, take the hawth for me—and, Hawkins, make it a cold plunge."—Judge.

There is more true philosophy in a pinch of laughter than there is in a yard of sarcasm.

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MAGNIFICENT PLANT FOR CROSBIE & BLACKWELL  
About 1,500 people will be employed in the new Canadian Plant of Crosbie and Blackwell, Limited, internationally known British firm and producers of pure food products. The above drawing shows the \$1,000,000 building to be erected at Toronto. Here will be produced a complete assortment of jams, conserves, pickles, and other food products. The quality of all Crosbie and Blackwell products manufactured here will be maintained to the same unexcelled standard of perfection which has prevailed for more than two centuries. Meanwhile, C. & B. products imported direct from England are available at all the grocers who carry high class goods.

## Labor Fights Communism

American Labor Leader Would Rid Ranks of Destructive Elements

Ridding its ranks of all ultra-radical destructive and revolutionary elements is the first task to which American organized labor has set itself for the new year.

In a statement, in which he views with satisfaction the achievements of labor in the past year and expresses optimism for 1927, Matthew Woll, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, declares that the fight against Communist elements in the labor ranks will continue.

"We have fought the fight of Democracy against Communism," he said, "referring to activities of the year just closed, 'we have turned upon it all the energy in our hands, fighting it as the world-be destroyer of our freedom and our homes. We count the results as satisfying and gratifying beyond words to express.'"

Woll declared that at no time before had the consuming power of the world been as high as it was in America in the past year.

"We are, in the mass, comparatively 'off'," he said, "not because we make many things, but because our wage levels enable us to buy so many of the things we make, from clothes to pianos, automobiles and homes."



"Ideal Fashions" for the Winter Season



1336

The Very Important One-Piece Dress

Adhering to the straight-line silhouette, this model would be very trim for sports wear or business. The charming simplicity of its cut is emphasized by high, adorned collar and a row of buttons down the closing from neck to waist, and patch pockets, while there are eight, gathered at each shoulder. Long sleeves are gathered to narrow wristbands and the round collar is of the latest model. No. 1213 is for misses in sizes 16, 18 and 20 years. Size 18 (36 bust) requires 3½ yards 36-inch, or 2½ yards 54-inch material. 20 cents.

Our Fashion Book, illustrating the newest and most practical styles, will be of interest to every home dressmaker. Price of the book 10 cents the copy.

## How To Order Patterns

Address—Winnipeg Newspaper Union, 175 McDermott Ave., Winnipeg.

Pattern No. .... Size .....

Name .....

Town .....

Valer—your hawth is ready, sir. "Aw, I say, Hawkins, take the hawth for me—and, Hawkins, make it a cold plunge."—Judge.

There is more true philosophy in a pinch of laughter than there is in a yard of sarcasm.

W. N. U. 1663

Motor Ships  
Proving Popular

Diesel Oil Engine Making Vast Improvement in Transportation

A new era in British shipping is being brought about by the amazing growth during the present year in the use of the Diesel oil engine.

It will be an era of luxury travel free from the irksome delay due to the bunkering of coal. It will also be an era of fast ships moving through the world's waters at a speed that will not vary in any climate.

British engineers have helped to bring the Diesel motor to a state of approaching perfection.

British shipowners took time to be convinced of the future of the new mode of travel, but they are now in a leading place in the world race which will make the steamship as much a thing of the past as the merchant sailing vessel.

Sir Frederick Lewis, chairman of the Prince Line, a far-sighted British owner, who had the courage to scrap a fleet of steamers, referred recently to the five new motor ships put in commission by his company.

"Our policy already seems to be justified by the results," he said. "The (Diesel) vessels have proved themselves to be the fastest freight vessels in the trade in which they are employed. The time occupied by the round voyage has been reduced by 35 to 40 days. We now operate the same service as before with one vessel less."

Half a million tons deadweight of motor vessels was ordered during the first three months of this year. This is a record. In 1925-26, 113 vessels were built with oil engines, against 601 457 tons in Great Britain, 46, totaling 221,429 tons, were built.

Business Failures In Britain

Millinery and Dressmaking Headed List for Women, and Farming for Men

Women who failed in business last year are honored with a separate section in the annual bankruptcy returns.

They number 441, millinery and dressmaking, 47, had the greatest number of women failures. Of the rest 37 were drapers, 33 grocers, 21 clothiers and outfitters, and 20 lodging house keepers. One woman doctor, four schoolmistresses and one woman engaged in house cleaning and training were also adjudged bankrupt.

Farmers head the list of men with 368 bankruptcies. Grocers came next with 362, and builders third with 335. Pawnbrokers and shipowners tie for bottom place with only four apiece.

## Woman Heads Organ Business

English Manufacturing Firm Has Been Family Concern Since 1750

Old fashioned long skirts interfered with Miss Jessie Gray Davison learning to play an organ as a girl but this has not prevented Miss Davison from becoming the only woman managing firm in England. The business has director of an organ manufacturing firm a family concern since 1750, and Miss Davison took charge on account of the illness of two brothers. Her grandmother considered it was "unladylike" for Miss Davison to play the organ as a girl because "the long skirts worn in those days might get mixed up with the pedals."

Women Rule In Tibet

There is one country in the world where the woman is undisputed head of the household. It is Tibet, where the husband must bring his earnings home or account for them, and if he does not earn as much as his wife thinks he should, he is likely to be divorced and chased from the home. Tibetan women are thrifty and show more enterprise than the men.

An exercise that is recommended for reducing a too exuberant waistline is placing both hands on the edge of the table and firmly pushing back.

Luck is the trump card played by a fool.

The weather now is just the same as when grandpa was a boy, an expert declares. If that is so a lot of grandpas are terrible liars.

When a man's wife hears him call her maid an angel the fly season is at hand.

It's difficult for a man to lose his bad reputation or a Christmas neck tie.

The automobile bill of the American people is over \$14,000,000,000 a year.

One once thought about living in the suburbs is when you miss the last train out and have to stay in town.

British Empire's  
Shop Window

New Features of the British Industries Fair 1927

It is a striking fact that the British Industries Fair, which is to be held in London and Birmingham from February 21st to March 4th next, will, despite recent industrial trouble and depression in Great Britain, greatly exceed in size and importance the Fair of last spring. No doubt the consciousness that it would be necessary when the coal stoppage ended to make up for lost time by establishing new trade contracts carried some weight.

It has also to be remembered that exhibitors at the last Fair were highly satisfied with the business results achieved, and have realized that the number of exhibitors abroad visiting the fair with the intention of doing serious business increases every year.

All the exhibiting space for the forthcoming fair, was booked three months before the opening date even though additional space has been provided in London and Birmingham. There has been nothing like it since the "boom" year of 1920, and the coming fair exceeds even that of 1920 from the buyer's point of view, because it is a buyer's market now, and those who exhibit know that it is useless to go so unless they have something really worth while showing, something which will attract or create a demand and not be bought merely because it is available.

A new feature this year is the exhibit of foodstuffs by the Empire Marketing Board. Raising the wide appeal of the British Industries Fair to home and overseas buyers, the Board took 10,000 square feet, and here, in addition to exhibits by the Dominion, there will be foodstuffs from British Ceylon, the Gold Coast, Rhodesia and the East African Colonies.

Apart from this stand, which is for foodstuffs only, there will be a section of Canadian manufacturers, and the East African Colonies have taken space from British Ceylon, the Gold Coast, Rhodesia and the East African Colonies.

Devotional Reading: Psalm 119:105.

Explanations and Comments

1. God's Unity and Uniqueness. Deut. 6:4, 5. The Jews called Shema, from the first word of verse four in Hebrew, translated "Hear. The Shema is still recited, together with Deut. 10:17, 18, 19, 13:4-6, as the first act of worship in the Jewish synagogue, and twice a day by every adult male Jew.

Hear, O Israel, Jehovah our God is one Jehovah. This signifies not only the unity but the uniqueness of God. "In the Hebrew manuscripts the last letters of the word 'Hear,' and 'one' are written as 'Hear, O Israel, Jehovah our God is one Jehovah.'"

Let's "play the game." Play the game when it is a game. And play the game when your fellow men are playing the game of life.

After all, it is a principle laid down in the Sermon on the Mount. That wonderful enunciation of life's golden rules did not express it so, but it said so in these terms: "Whoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them."

"I suppose you will want me to give up my job, Henry, when we are married?"

"How much do you earn in it?"

"Sixty a week."

"That isn't a job. That's a career. I wouldn't want to interfere with your career."

An editorial writer says: "A marriage seldom fails when husband and wife have something in common to laugh at." There's always the photo of the wedding group, for instance.

Eliza—had you'll call me left 'o' husband, Mark?—he's a Thibet, I'm sure, is, Eliza. Dad Nigger was so shiftless that he couldn't find enough washin' to keep me busy.

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"Oh, papa, can you tell me if Noah had a wife?" "Certainly, Joan of Arc. Don't ask silly questions."—London Tit-Bits.

There is more true philosophy in a pinch of laughter than there is in a yard of sarcasm.

W. N. U. 1663



## Here and There

The Beethoven manuscript sonata in F major has been sold in London, England, for \$100, and the Bach organ prelude for \$3,500.

Bachelors in Rome between 25 and 65 are to be taxed to provide funds for the National Maternity fund and Child Welfare scheme.

Canadian apples are now on sale in Paris, France, in the central market and in the shops. Shop window displays of the fruit are reported to have aroused quite a wave of admiration.

Alberta's visible coal supply is about 87 billion tons, Premier Brownlee declares. With the possible exception of China, Alberta has the greatest coal deposits in the world. The annual production from the province averages around 6,000,000 to 6,500,000 tons.

Valued at nearly \$8,000, twelve silver black foxes in six crates arrived at Canadian Pacific Express Company's yards in Montreal recently for shipment by S.S. Berwy from Saint John January 1st. They are from the Agassiz Silver Fox Farm, Barry, Ont., and represent the first shipment to leave Canada in 1927.

According to the financial statement of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the eleven months ended November 30, the net profits of the Company were \$43,328,944.06 an increase over the net profits for the corresponding period of 1925 of \$4,000,000.23. For the month of November the net profits of the Company were \$6,749,722.72, an increase of \$501,687.90 over November of 1925.

An air mail service for Canada is likely. The Hon. P. J. Veniot, Postmaster-General, remarked in an interview that the Postal Department at Ottawa are following with keen interest the successful activities of the United States air service and that something similar may be started in this country shortly. Definite announcement one way or the other would be made early in the New Year, said Mr. Veniot.

Northern Ontario has 2,600,000 square miles of mineral lands, of which only 7 per cent has been exploited; and yet this seven per cent has already produced metals to the value of a billion dollars. Such was the summing up of George C. Eames, Secretary of the Ontario Mining Association, speaking before the Engineers' Club. "Twenty years ago," he reminded his hearers, "Northern Ontario was practically an unknown wilderness. Today it is the centre of a large and growing industry."

A combined service to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company of 140 years was terminated January 1st with the retirement from the activities of travelling passenger agents of Henry R. Ibbotson, Ambrose E. Lalande and James McKenna. The official records of the Company indicate that these three well-known officials have served respectively, 44, 53 and 43 years in the employ of the Company. The railway careers of these men began in each case during the construction of the Canadian Pacific lines from the north shore of Lake Superior west to the Pacific Coast.

To further assist agricultural development the Canadian Pacific Railway will operate forage, crop, seed, poultry distribution and demonstration cars in the Alberta district, starting this January. Following the practice of previous years the company will co-operate with the Provincial Government, says Thomas S. Acheson, General Agricultural Agent, Western Lines of the C.P.R. The special cars will centre upon Lethbridge, ranging between the international boundary and Calgary, eastward to Lacombe and the Saskatchewan boundary, and west to Red Deer and Rocky Mountain House.

Mr. J. A. McLeod, western manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., was a business visitor here from Calgary during the week.

Mrs. Gray, accompanied by little Isabelle Meffan, arrived here last night from Cranbrook and will spend a short holiday with her son Robert.

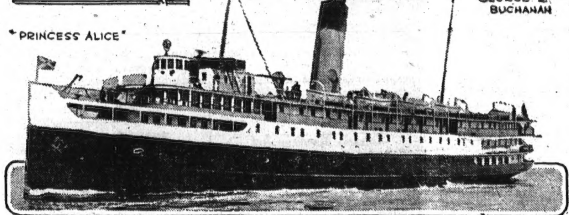
Little Dicky Morgan had the pleasure of talking to his parents over the telephone from Blairmore to Spokane on Tuesday night. The conversation was very clear.

## Sonless Father Takes His Boys to Alaska



BUCHANAN AND HIS BOYS

GEORGE E. BUCHANAN



"PRINCESS ALICE"

A bachelor who loves boys but who has no boys of his own! That is George E. Buchanan, a wealthy coal dealer of Detroit, a hard-boiled business man who thinks that the best possible education a boy can have is the education of travel. He has sent 145 boys to Alaska from Detroit and Vancouver via the Canadian Pacific "Princess" Steamers to Seward; and now he plans to not only send a group of boys to Alaska the coming year, but he has enlarged his program and his former slogan, "On to Alaska with Buchanan," has a side-partner, "On to Europe with Buchanan!" Buchanan is a Canadian Scotchman who has prospered wonderfully in Detroit. He will tell you he has made money there, but—his big idea is to give the growing boy a chance. The boy

says, "I'll do it," but Buchanan knows in his canny Scotch way that the only thing worth having is the thing you have to earn. So he says to the boys: Here's a trip to Alaska, here's a trip to Europe for you, but listen:

"No boy, or man, ever appreciated or got any benefit out of anything he did not work or sweat for. You earn one-third of your passage money, and I will tell you how to do it as best I can; you get your parents to put up another third and I will loan you the remaining third—and you can pay it back to me when you get ready, so that another boy can be sent to Alaska—or Europe." Every boy who has made good his passage money to Alaska is eligible for the European trip—and the percentage

of "make good" boys has been very high, according to Buchanan. Of all these Alaska boys, Buchanan says that two-thirds have voluntarily repaid him, although he has merely put them on honor to do it when they got ready—and he foresees no legal obligations, because there are none. Any boy, anywhere in the United States or Canada, can qualify for George E. Buchanan's trip to Alaska, or to Europe, and can earn his third anywhere but, of course, he should get in touch with Mr. Buchanan, in Detroit, to learn how to earn his third. All of his boys have a wonderful time, no matter whether they go to Alaska, or to Europe, and when they finish with him they have had a business and travel education worth a whole lot.

Lent comes in next Wednesday.

The consecration of Very Rev. Louis Ralph Sherman, M.A., B. Litt., D.D., as Bishop of Calgary, took place at the Pro-Cathedral, Calgary, this morning.

### Too Foggy to Discover

A couple of travellers were discussing the places they had visited. "I suppose London is the foggiest place in the world," said one. "Why, no, I wouldn't say that," replied the other. "I remember once being in a place much foggiest than London."

"Where was that?" queried his friend.

"Hanged if I can tell you where it was," said the other. "You see it was so frightfully foggy."

Three eclipses of the sun, two of the moon and the planet Mercury over the sun's discs, are all included in the programme for 1927. It is stated by Professor Arthur J. Kelly.

On being informed that a certain lady was a patient in hospital, where she had her tail cut off, Jack McPhail forwarded to the sick-room a copy of a magazine entitled "The Retailer."

George and Mrs. Meffan will pass through Blairmore tomorrow night enroute to Lethbridge, where Mr. Meffan will take up special duties with his firm, Plunkett & Savage, Ltd., having been transferred from the Cranbrook branch. Mr. Meffan will, we understand, be succeeded at Cranbrook by Mr. Buchanan, of the Blairmore warehouse.

The Calgary Falcons, juniors, were completely outclassed by the Blairmore Tuxis Juniors in the game here on Friday night which resulted in a score of four to one. The game was refereed by Mel Rhynas and was full of pep throughout. The local lads have yet to contend with the winners of the Edmonton-Stettler go.

Strapped tight on a very sharp tack, Poor old cove couldn't hit back. The electric chair was where he sat. Have you ever heard a meaner one than that.

Full house had Levi, a poker fan, Met disaster with a Scottish man. Those bob-tail flush wasn't quite so dead, Jock raised its tail over Levi's head.

## Feature of Ontario Winter Carnival



1. Entries in the Dog race.  
2. Figure Skating in action.  
3. Ski-joring at Preston Springs, Ontario.

Reports of thrilling dog derbies from Banff, Quebec City and other winter sports centres in Canada, have had their effect upon the boys of Preston Springs, Ontario. The three lads in the above photograph spent many days training their collies to run between the traces in preparation for the winter carnival which was held at that popular resort recently. If the boys lacked in real huskie dogs they had been reading about, they lacked nothing in enthusiasm for their big race.

Upon the eventful day at the carnival, a rumor was circulated among the three that a real huskie was entered. The afternoon proved the rumor to be true, but the jealousy of the collies was greater than the

anoyance of the boys. The only huskie entry was rendered "hors de combat" and relegated to obscurity as far as the race was concerned, by the peaceful-looking collie in the centre.

The annual winter carnival at Preston Springs provided the utmost in snow-shoeing, skating, skiing and all kinds of winter sports. Prominent speed and figure skaters gathered for the events from many parts of Canada and from across the border.

Preston Springs' proximity to Toronto has made it popular as a winter sports gathering place. Many clubs in Ontario sent representatives to compete in the events including the well-known Toronto Skating Club. A camp fire pow-wow concluded the festivities of the annual carnival. The grounds of the Preston Springs Hotel were thrown open to the merry-makers, who availed themselves of the opportunity thus afforded for outdoor fun.

## COLEMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT HAS SURPLUS

At the annual meeting of the ratepayers of the Town of Coleman and Coleman School District, on Thursday night last, very encouraging reports were received from the school board. In their financial report, the actual balance as at December 31st was shown to be \$16,057.24, with receipts totalling \$57,711.74 and expenditures

\$41,654.50. Of this latter amount, \$21,500 was paid in teachers' salaries, \$1,261.50 for officials' salaries, \$8,874.50 for caretaking, \$995.00 for water, light and fuel. It was decided to have the financial statements of the town and school issued in pamphlet form, copies to be sent to each ratepayer. Mayor Burns explained that sickness in the auditing firm was responsible for the lateness of the annual meeting.

## What's in a Name



Over 14,260 names were submitted in answer to our request for a new name for the old SILVER SPRAY Products.

From Toronto to Vancouver and from Minneapolis to San Francisco letters and telegrams poured in. We thank you.

In a short while now the name will be selected and the winner or winners announced.

Meanwhile Canada's only true standard Lager Beer is maturing, and oh! it is a treat.

## Provincial Advertising Service

Calgary - - - Alberta

This advertisement is not inserted by the Alberta Liquor Control Board or the Government of the Province of Alberta.

## A Chain of Contacts

If you, as a merchant, could be constantly meeting new prospective customers, you could keep your business healthy and flourishing without advertising.

But the main reason why ADVERTISING is a sound, paying investment is because it does this missionary work for you, constantly, efficiently, at a low cost and leaves you free to render personal service and plan further business development.

Look into the value to you of advertising in "The Enterprise" from a business-building point of view. Talk it over with us.

## PROGRESSIVE MERCHANTS ADVERTISE

Issued by Canadian Weekly Newspapers Association

## Health Broken—Lost 66 lbs. Now Well, Won Back 82 lbs.

Ottawa merchant, formerly city officer, rundown by kidney trouble. Wasted from 201 to 135 lbs.  
Tanlac restored robust health; now weighs 217 lbs. and feels fine

Paula Seguin's father at 283 St. Patrick St., is well known in Ottawa. Mr. Seguin was formerly a police officer. When ill, he lost 66 lbs. and was given up as a hopeless case. He lost weight rapidly. "I had kidney trouble for 6 years," he tells, "and was given up as a hopeless case. I was, from sheer weakness, I have fallen where I stood, and had to be helped to my feet."

"Pains racked my entire system, especially my back, which felt like splitting. Needless to say, I could neither eat nor sleep normally. Weak and nervousness would leave me trembling all over. I faded away from 201 to 135 lbs., and tried endless treatments and remedies in those 6 years, without result."

"I had begun to despair, and when a friend advised Tanlac I was skeptical. But one month's regular use of this wonderful medicine convinced me that I was on the road to recovery. I kept on taking Tanlac and to my delight and surprise it made me a new man. It is a surprisingly short time."



"Now I weigh 217 lbs., feel as lively as a healthy boy, and eat like a different man altogether."

If neglected or overworked are taking too long to get back to health, Tanlac is nature's own tonic, made from roots, barks and herbs. Your druggist has it. Over 25 million bottles sold.

## It's All In The State Of Mind

If you think you are beaten, you are;  
If you think you dare not, you don't;  
If you think you're not like to win, you can't;  
It's almost a cinch you won't;  
If you think you'll lose, you're lost;  
For out in the world you'll find  
Success begins with a fellow will—  
It's all in the state of mind.

Full many a race is lost  
Ere even a race is run  
And many a coward fails  
Ere even his work's begun.  
Think big, and your deeds will grow,  
Think small and you fall behind,  
Think that you can and you will;  
It's all in the state of mind.

If you think you are outclassed, you are;  
You've got to think high to rise;  
You've got to be sure of yourself before  
You can ever win over your foe.  
Life's battles don't always go  
To the stronger or faster man;  
But sooner or later, the man who wins  
Is the fellow who thinks he can.

Throughout Western Canada people are now eagerly looking forward to the breakup of winter and are beginning to plan for the season's work which lies ahead. The farmer is giving thought to the crops he will sow, arranging to overhaul his machinery, looking into the matter of good, clean seed, and is becoming impatient for the frost to come out of the ground in order that he may begin turning over the furrows. The farm wife is beginning to think of her poultry and vegetable garden. In the cities and towns plans are being laid for building operations, civic officials are preparing programmes of improvements, men and women are studying seed catalogues and dreaming of their gardens to be. Everywhere, everybody is looking forward.

People, too, are asking themselves the question: "What will the year bring forth?" Generally, a feeling of optimism prevails. Perhaps never before in Canada's history has there been such unanimity among the heads of all banks, insurance companies, financial and industrial concerns, railway executives, and business men,—usually of the most cautious and conservative type,—in predicting that Canada is on the eve of remarkable, unprecedented development.

It is believed that 1927 will be a year of opportunity, although nothing in the nature of a "boom" is expected or desired. Western people have surely learned the lesson that substantial, permanent progress can only rest on strong foundations; that to build on paper is to invite disaster. For this reason there is danger that some people will be timid in grasping opportunities which present themselves even though they are in a sound position to take full advantage of them. Their very timidity, their lack of confidence in themselves, or in their country, may be their own undoing.

The lines quoted at the opening of this article are, however, not directed only to the attention of those who are fearful of launching out on some enterprise this year, but to all the people of Western Canada at this time as they plan for the year's work ahead.

It is true today, as it has always been true, that the person who thinks he is beaten, is beaten. The beginning of success is the "will" to succeed; the determination never to acknowledge defeat. This, too, is our British birthright. Many and many a time in our Empire's history the outlook has been dark, defeat seemed inevitable, but our people would never admit it and fought on and on until victory was achieved and success crowned their efforts.

One of the factors in enabling George Young to swim Catalina channel and win the big prize offered was his confidence in himself. He was confronted with obstacles from the beginning of his journey from Toronto to California and all along the way, but he was convinced of his ability to win, and win he did. Courage and perseverance were his watchwords. He possessed the right state of mind.

Western Canadians, with their country of wonderful resources as an asset, can accomplish almost anything to which they make up their minds and to which they devote their energies with real determination to achieve. Amazing things have been accomplished in the past, but the present offers equally great opportunities and still greater things can be done and richer rewards won if our people are convinced they can do these things and make up their minds to do them.

### Radio Wave Action Explained

Existence of a layer of upper air which bends radio waves back to earth has been verified, the Carnegie Institution has announced. Water is not for this "air," it is explained, radio waves would pass on and on, and radio transmission over lengthy distances on earth would be impossible.

### Too many men wait until they have been done to turn before turning over a new leaf.



### Cuticura Loveliness A Priceless Heritage

For generations mothers have been using Cuticura Preparations for all toilet purposes, and have been teaching their daughters that daily use of them produces clear, smooth skin and healthy hair. They find the Soap pure and cleansing, the Ointment soothing and healing, should any irritations arise, and the Talcum an ideal toilet powder.

For sale by all druggists. Address: Cuticura Preparation Co., Boston, U.S.A. Cuticura Soap 25c. Cuticura Ointment 25c. Cuticura Talcum 25c.

### Total Eclipse of the Sun

Unusual Phenomena to be Witnessed in England on June 29

English astronomers are preparing to view on June 29 the first total eclipse of the sun which has visited England in 203 years and the last one until 1999.

The belt of country in which the eclipse will be total is only 50 miles wide, running from the north of Wales in the west to Hartlepool on the North Sea in the east. So popular is the interest in the unusual event that several railroads will run special trains to various points in the belt.

The total eclipse begins over England at 5:35 a.m., Greenwich mean time, and is visible in its totality from 21.7 seconds in the west to 24.5 seconds in the east.

Astronomers point out that with a total eclipse, such as will be seen this year, the corona is visible, which is not the case with partial eclipses.

Several parties of astronomers are planning expeditions to Norway, where the visibility will be better than in England. Three Greenwich astronomers will take two telescopes and two spectroscopes to a station in Yorkshire, and other parties will go to both the west and east coast.

### 2 Years' Backache Subdued by "Nervine"

"Backache was the bane of my life, and for two years I was so lame as to be unfit for work," writes E. S. Sloan, from Georgetown, N.C. "While in Smith Bros' Drug Store, I heard of Nervine being a wonderful pain-destroyer, so I decided to try Nervine. Thanks to Nervine, my two years' backache was rubbed away, and to-day I am perfectly well."

All those who suffer from weak, aching backs, those whose muscles are stiff, whose joints are swollen, let them try Nervine—the liniment that never fails. 25c at all dealers.

### Want Free Port

Urge Free Port at Ocean Terminal of H. B. Road

The establishment of a free port at the ocean terminal of the Hudson's Bay Railway will be urged by some Progressive members of the House of Commons when the annual debate on the railway takes place. One member has expressed the conviction that if Port Nelson (or Port Churchill) if the terminal is finally established, it will be made a free trade port, the cost of construction of Canada's railway to the Northern Seas could be wiped out in a few years and the financial success of the road assured.

### He Recommends Them For All Kidney Complaints

So Says Mr. S. Lee of Dodd's Kidney Pills

Saskatchewan Man Says Dodd's Kidney Pills Have Never Failed Him. "I can recommend Dodd's Kidney Pills for all kidney complaints," writes Mr. S. Lee, a well known and respected resident of this place. "I have used Dodd's Kidney Pills for several years for backache and pains in the kidneys, and I have never known them to fail."

There are many symptoms which point directly to kidney disease and warn you of serious danger ahead. Backache, deposits in urine, head-aches and itching limbs, nervous, dry and itching skin and loss of flesh and weight.

To their direct action on the kidneys is due the wonderful success of Dodd's Kidney Pills as a relief for diseases of the kidneys. Dodd's Kidney Pills are no cure-all. They are just a kidney remedy that can be taken by old and young alike. Dodd's Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists or The Dodd's Medicine Co., Ltd., Toronto, 2, Ont.

The number of motor accidents will not decrease until automobiles have less horsepower, and drivers have more horse-sense.

Stop the Cough. — Coughing is caused by irritation in the respiratory passages and is the effort to dislodge obstructions that come from inflammation of the mucous membrane. Treatment with Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil will allay the inflammation and in consequence the cough will usually stop. Try it and you will be satisfied.

### Broke News Gently

Trying to break it gently to his parents that he had flunked his spring semester examination, a student at Goteborg University telegraphed his family in Berlin as follows: "Passed exam with flying colors. Professors delighted, enthusiastic, want me to repeat it next July."

One way to get rid of unpleasant people is to begin giving them advice.

Athletes use Minard's Liniment.

W. N. U. 1869



### Japanese Prince at Oxford

Has Taken Same Rooms Prince of Wales Occupied  
Sir Herbert Warren, who is about to retire from the presidency of Magdalen College, Oxford, has been at the head of that school for more than 20 years and has imparted an air of social distinction to the institution. He managed to get the Prince of Wales for a student, in spite of the fact that the Prince's grandfather went to Christ Church College. More recently Prince Clitchiki of Japan selected Magdalen as his college and took the very rooms the Prince of Wales occupied.

### Ontario Marriage Act

Premier Ferguson Introduces Bill to Amend the Act

In the Ontario legislature, Premier Ferguson introduced a bill to amend the Marriage Act so that a clergyman from any part of the British empire may perform the marriage ceremony in the province. The bill is designed to meet a situation such as arose last year when Right Rev. Arthur Winnipeg, Bishop of London, while on a visit to Ontario, was prevented from officiating at the marriage of a relative, because permission was not provided under the act.

### PUT STOMACH IN

ORDER AT ONCE

"Pape's Diapiespin" for Gas, Indigestion or Sour Stomach

...a slight, but constant, distress from indigestion or a sour, acid, gassy stomach, after you take a tablet of Pape's Diapiespin. The moment it reaches the stomach all sourness, flatulence, heartburn, gas, palpitation and pain disappear. Diapiespin guarantees each package to correct digestion at once. End your stomach trouble for few cents.

### Not a Worker's Paradise

Russians Receive Meagre Pay and Dare Not Ask More

For nearly ten years Russia has been under the "dictatorship of the proletariat," but not greatly to the advantage of the proletariat, it seems. A bulletin issued by the International Labor Bureau at Geneva shows the rates of wages received in Soviet Russia. Last summer Russian workmen were getting 23 chervonets roubles a day. Before the war a rouble was worth a little more than half a dollar; it is worth much less now. But even if the Russian workmen were receiving as much as a dollar a day that would be meagre pay indeed when it is considered that the prices of all the necessities of life have advanced enormously.

But they must not demand more. It is dangerous to do that. In reply to a deputation of trade unionists who went to him begging for more pay, M. Tomsky, of the Soviet council and president of the trade unions, told them that they must be patient and wait—that wages could not be raised until general economic conditions improve. And he added that the general council would deal very severely with union groups that did not accept the decision of the council and the Soviet government in the matter of wages and working conditions. No, the proletariat is not having a good time in the realm where the proletariat is supposed to rule.

All mothers can put away anxiety regarding their suffering children when they use Mother's Own Worm Expeller to give relief. Its effects are sure and lasting.

### New Tomato Grows on Trees

Tomatoes growing on trees like dwarf apples were a novelty for visitors at the first exhibition this year by the Royal Horticultural Society, London. The trees are about four feet high and look like futuristic orange trees. Each tree bears some seventy little tomatoes, growing so closely together that they seem to form a bush of color. The tree tomato has a lighter color than the ordinary tomato and its taste is sweeter.

### The Last Slaves

No Slavery Exists Wherever Flies the British Flag

With the abolition of slavery in Britain, ordered last month, by the British Government, the last slave will disappear from territory under the control of Great Britain. Thus, within the space of ninety-four years the greatest menace to freedom and to development the world has ever known has been swept out of the British Empire. It has not been an easy task, for many vested rights, treaty reservations, and inherited privileges had to be dealt with. But the policy inaugurated by the British Government in the British West Indies in 1833 had been faithfully and steadily pursued ever since. Today no slavery exists beneath the British flag, or in British protectorates. Various forms of compulsory industrial service are still in vogue in far-off outposts and in certain African territories, but these are dying out, and with the spread of education and the introduction of broader privileges, they will become obsolete. It is a thing concerning which Britons may be well content. The march of justice and liberty may be slow, but it is irresistible.—The Montreal Star.



### Treat Colds Externally

For sore throat, bronchitis or deep chest cold, rub Vicks VapoRub briskly over throat and chest and cover with warm flannel.

Vicks acts in two ways—both direct: absorbed like a liniment, and inhaled as a vapor. A quick relief for the cold troubles of all the family.



### Is Considered a Miracle

Body of Rumanian Priest Dead Two Centuries Is Well Preserved

A glass casket to display the well preserved body of a priest dead two hundred years has been ordered by the peasants of the Cluj district, Rumania. They took upon the preservation of the body of a priest who had been buried in a wooden coffin who had lived in good condition, but they prefer to accept the theory of supernaturalism. They say that the continued glass casket an admission fee is to be charged of those viewing the body.

### FELT VERY WEAK

Had No Ambition and Had to Rest Frequently

Mrs. Wm. J. Griffin, Tokkumuh, Manitou Island, Ont., is one of the many thousands of women who have found relief through Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. She says:—"For a number of years I felt very weak and had no ambition. I found it very difficult to do my household and had to rest frequently. As time passed my condition grew decidedly worse, and my feet and legs were badly swollen. My husband told the doctor of my condition, and he gave me medicine. Then my baby came and the doctor attended me. He said I had scarcely any blood in my body—that it had turned to water. I continued taking his medicine for a time, but did not feel that it was doing me any good. Then I started to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. In a short while I felt better, and after taking the pills for a couple of months I felt like a new person. Where my work used to be a drag upon my strength I enjoy doing it now, and I will always recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to weak people."

If you will send your name and address to The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., they will mail you a little book called "Building Up the Blood," which contains many health hints. You can get the pills through any medicine dealer or by mail at 50 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Makes Money From Radio Set  
An enterprising resident of Worcester, Mass., has equipped his radio set with eight loud speakers which he has installed in the homes of eight neighbors. He charges them each \$2 a month for the service.

Persistent Asthma. A most distressing characteristic of this debilitating disease is the persistence with which recurring attacks come to nap away strength and leave the sufferer in a state of almost complete exhaustion. No wisest precaution can be taken that of keeping at hand a supply of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Asthma Remedy, famous as the most potent remedy for eradicating the disease from the tender air passages.

In a battle fought in B.C. 189, one army fired jars with feathers, set them on fire, and blew the smoke with bellows into the faces of their enemies.

### Convenience for Travellers

To those contemplating a trip overseas, it will be interesting to learn that the Canadian Pacific Railway are operating through tourist sleeping cars from Winnipeg each week to connect with steamers sailing from West Saint John, N.B. going direct to the ship's side, these cars assure connection and facilitate transfer from train to steamer. Reservations and bookings on these cars may be made with any ticket agent of the Canadian Pacific.

### Lives on Simple Diet

Mrs. Lucy Hachforth, 103-year-old, of whose roses cheeks are almost wrinkleless, attributes her splendid health to plain food and quiet mode of living. It is interesting to learn that she has been chiefly of whole wheat bread, a loaf and a half which lasts her about a week, butter, milk, baked apples, a few vegetables and occasionally a little bacon.

Some 400,000 people live crowded together in boats on the Pearl river, at Canton, China.

The most obstinate corns fall to rest Holloway's Corn Remover. Try it.

Men are so contrary that if their wives wanted them to stay out late they probably wouldn't do it.

### Relieve Asthma with Minard's Liniment

True love doesn't thrive well in a public garden.

### Children Cry for



### MOTHER'S Fletcher's CASTORIA

Castoria is a pleasant, harmless Substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Teething Drops and Soothing Syrups, especially prepared for Infants in arms and Children all ages.

To avoid imitations, always look for the signature of J. C. Fletcher.

Proven directions on each package.

Physicians everywhere recommend it.

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## INCOME AND SALES TAXES ARE REDUCED

Ottawa.—Stressing the increased prosperity with which Canada is favored this year and announcing sweeping taxation reductions totalling \$7,000,000, Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, presented to the House of Commons his fourth budget. Not a single change is to be made in the tariff. Both in brevity and in its absolute lack of tariff changes, this budget is unique in the history of Canada.

Several important taxation proposals were laid before the House by Hon. M. Robb, the one of greatest general interest probably being the announcement of a cut of ten per cent. on all income tax rates effective for the spring payments. This is supplementary to the raising of the exemptions which came last year.

Mr. Robb also announced a reduction of 20 per cent. on all sales tax effective at once. Changes downward were announced in the stamp taxes, the stamp tax on overdrafts and advances being abolished, as also is the graduated scale. These clauses will become effective July 1.

Following is a brief summary of the tax reduction proposals:

Cut of ten per cent. on all income tax rates effective for the spring payments.

Cut of 20 per cent. on all sales tax rates effective tomorrow.

Exemption from stamp tax on cheques, notes, etc., increased from \$5 to \$10, effective July 1.

Stamp tax on cheques, bills, notes, etc., of a value over \$10 is now two cents. The graduated scale is abolished, effective July 1.

Stamp tax on overdrafts and advances abolished.

Special War Revenue Act amended to make it clear that printers are liable to sales tax.

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Estimated surplus of revenue over expenditure for present fiscal year, \$34,200,000.

### Short Line to Bay

Saskatoon is interested in the proposed Air Line. Saskatoon, Sask., the Saskatoon Board of Trade has appointed a committee with Clarence F. Graham as chairman, to co-operate with trade boards from other points in the territory interested in the proposed air line to Hudson's Bay, via Melville and The Pas.

The construction of such a line, it is pointed out, would mean a substantial reduction in mileage connection with the Hudson's Bay railway, with a corresponding reduction in freight charges for the producers in a large and productive territory not restricted to Saskatchewan as it would be accessible to the province of Alberta by the existing connections through Saskatoon, North Battleford and Prince Albert.

### Planning Air Mail For Peace River

Winter Tests Have Been Started at Avian Field. Edmonton, Alberta.—Edmonton has opened an aviation field, known as the Blatchford Flying Field. Experimental winter flying tests are to be carried out to different points, two machines from the High River fire patrol station being used in the work. It is the first municipal flying field opened in Canada.

As a result of these tests, it is understood, that a service, both mail and commercial, will be inaugurated in the Peace River country.

### Want Increased Indemnities

Winnipeg.—An increase in members' indemnities from \$1,500 to \$1,800 is sought by several members of the Provincial Legislature. The matter was debated in committee of supply with William Ivens, Labor, introducing the subject when he declared he was "not satisfied with \$1,500 a year." Several other members expressed the same attitude. Premier John Bracken expressed himself as in sympathy with the idea.

### Must Consult Dominions

London.—The delay in Great Britain's reply to the United States naval disarmament proposal is due, it was stated, to the necessity of consulting the Dominions. There is no indication as to when the reply is likely to be dispatched.

## May Reduce Cattle Rates to Britain

Possible in Near Future Says Deputy Minister of Agriculture

Winnipeg.—A reduction in ocean freight rates on cattle shipments to the British Isles looms as a possibility in the near future, Dr. J. H. Girdale, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, stated in an address here before the Western Livestock Union. Dr. Girdale declared that, as the result of a recent conference with officials of the various steamship lines, an understanding has been reached that the question of reduced rates would be fully considered.

Any downward readjustment, he asserted, would depend upon the recommendations of steamship representatives in the Dominion. If a 5 per cent. reduction could be obtained it would mean the difference between a profit or an actual loss on shipments of Canadian cattle.

While stressing the importance of enlarging the home market for Canadian farm produce every effort should be made to cultivate and extend trade with Great Britain, Dr. J. H. Girdale said.

"It does not look for any wild rush of United States legislators to lower the tariff bars against our products. On the other hand, I believe Britain is in a position to take all the surplus Canada can produce, providing the quality is there," he added.

The attitude of British traders toward Canadian beef was becoming more favorable each year. Exports were teaching them that Canadian stock cattle was of a high standard. The shipper on this side, however, did not appear to be availing himself of the opportunity as statistics showed that only 50,000 head had been shipped to Great Britain in 1926, compared with 65,000 head from Ireland.

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## Fewer Wage-Earners

Only Four Out of Ten Work for Living in U.S. is Report

New York.—Less than four out of ten persons in the United States in 1925, were working for a living, according to a study made public by the National Industrial Conference Board.

A decline in the number of gainfully-occupied persons in proportion to total population in the United States between 1910 and 1920, and a further 1920 and 1925, are reported. Relatively larger school and college enrollments and changes in immigration are credited with being among the chief factors in producing the trend.

## REVENUE FROM FREIGHT BETTER ON THE PRAIRIES

Ottawa.—Reasons for the passage of a great amount of Canadian grain from the Canadian west to the Atlantic ports over the United States railways and through United States ports, were discussed before the Board of Railway Commissioners investigating freight rates.

The discussion arose during the examination of George Stephen, assistant freight traffic manager of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Commissioner Oliver, who called attention to the quantity of grain being shipped via the United States, termed the situation a "very serious national problem."

Counsel for the C.P.R. contended that the movement of grain within Canada had greatly increased during the period of open navigation and counsel for the Maritime Provinces added that the available ocean tonnage was the deciding factor. Experts took their grain to the port where facilities were ready to receive it.

Mr. Stephen pointed out certain characteristics of the freight business in British Columbia. One of the most important of these was the large percentage of the territory which was absolutely non-traffic producing.

This was accounted for by mountainous conditions and by the fact that at least 55 per cent of the population resided in seaborne cities. He compared this with the condition in the prairie provinces where the population was well distributed, the latest census figures indicating that the rural population of Manitoba was 56 per cent of the total, in Saskatchewan the rural population comprised 70.5 per cent of the total and in Alberta, 61.7 per cent. This meant that in the prairie provinces the distribution of freight was evenly placed and there were no barren stretches such as existed in British Columbia.

Home Bank Creditors. Ottawa.—The sum of \$222,000 of the \$3,000,000 voted by Parliament for the relief of Home Bank creditors, remains unpaid because certain claims have not yet been dealt with by the commissioners, according to a Government answer to questions in the House of Commons this afternoon.

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## RESOLUTION ASKS FOR LOW RATES ON ALBERTA COAL

Ottawa.—A national policy by which Ontario and other parts of Central Canada will be supplied with Canadian coal was discussed in the House of Commons on a resolution proposed by T. L. Church (Conservative, Toronto Northwest).

Mr. Church's resolution asked for lower rates on Alberta coal and a duty against coal from the United States, "to insure an all-British supply for Canada, and afford adequate protection for coal mines."

Mr. Church said the present Canadian coal policy was ready-made and pro-American and blamed the directors of the Canadian National Railways for the fact that most of the coal used in Ontario comes from United States mines.

"I am surprised, Mr. Speaker, that you have not ruled this motion out of order, as the question is before the railway commission. Is this a free Parliament or is it not?" Mr. Church asked, and proceeded to emphasize what he claimed was the desire of the people of Canada to deal speedily with this question of coal supply. "I am not criticizing Sir Henry Thornton personally," said Mr. Church, "but the east country that allows this thing to go on."

The rate of \$3 a ton offered by the railways for bringing Alberta coal to Ontario, did not meet the need. It must be lower than that.

"You will never make any headway on this question as long as the present directors of the C.N.R. are handling it," Mr. Church said, "or the present minister of railways." He said the reference to the railway commission was made a year ago, and the indication was that there would be no decision from it in time for any movement of coal next summer.

Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of interior, said the coal question had been receiving considerable thought and study on the part of the Government.

Mr. Stewart read at some length from a report of the fuel board on the entire fuel situation of Canada. At the conclusion, Mr. Stewart pointed out that the Government was actually developing a real fuel policy which had reduced the importations of American coal by 2,000,000 tons a year since 1923.

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## France Refuses to Attend Conference

Will Not Take Part in U.S. Parley on Disarmament

Washington.—Hopes of the Washington government for an effective naval limitation conference have been jolted severely by a polite rejection from France and a forecast that Italy also will decline to participate. The declaration of France the opinion here was that Italy would accept and still make possible the gathering of representatives of sufficient number of nations to bring practical results in the timing of armaments not touched upon at the Washington conference.

A semi-official communique issued in Rome, however, announced that Italy would follow the lead of France in demurring to the proposal of President Coolidge for the conference leaving as a matter of conjecture the next step of the United States Government in seeking methods of obtaining the agreements which is hoped for.

Tentative consideration had been given to a possible four-power conference participated in by the United States, Japan, Italy and Great Britain even before the unfavorable French reply was received. Acceptance of the Coolidge invitation were considered as having been assured from Japan and Great Britain, but obviously the attitude of Great Britain may now be affected by the position of France and Italy.

For the moment it is unlikely that any kind of further action will be formulated here in the advance of the British and Japanese formal replies.

THE QUESTION OF ALTA. RESOURCES NOW SUB JUDICE

Ottawa.—Discussion of Alberta natural resources was raised out of order in the House. The point taken was that under the reference to the Supreme Court, which is to be heard in March, the question was sub judice.

T. L. Church, Conservative, North West Toronto, appealed against the ruling, but could not find a seconder. Mr. Church first gave the name of Mr. McGregor, South York, as his seconder.

"I ask any of the Toronto members to second my motion," Mr. Church went on. "I ask Mr. Matthews or Mr. Anderson (two Toronto members) to second it."

But no one seconded Mr. Church's appeal and it went by the boards. The question arose on two separate motions. First, Dr. Edwards, Frontenac-Addington, had a motion that natural resources should be transferred to the prairie provinces at the earliest possible moment.

At the outset, Speaker Lemieux questioned whether the motion was in order in view of the reference to the Supreme Court and opened the way for discussion of the point by the House. Discussion proceeded and eventually the motion was ruled out of order. Then Mr. Church endeavored to move another motion of his own on Alberta natural resources.

He argued that his motion was different from that of Dr. Edwards. But the Speaker ruled the Church motion out of order likewise. Then came Mr. Church's appeal and his failure to find a seconder.

The Edwards motion came first before the House.

In opening the discussion, Speaker Lemieux pointed to the reference on the Alberta bill now before the Supreme Court and said in his opinion the question was sub judice. However, he would ask advice of the House as to whether this motion was in order.

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They say that Andy Waugh is becoming a great orator. He was heard to speak the other day and everyone enjoyed his speech immensely. As we write this, Kelly asks: "What did he say?" We replied: "What'll you have?"

Chief Spence has been confined to his home through illness for several days.

If you hit some men on the head, you do nothing worse than crack a joke.

Duncan McDonald has been elected a member of the town council of Drumheller.

The Calgary Power Company offers to sell electric current to the city of Lethbridge at nine-tenths of a cent per kilowatt.

The Medicine Hat News remarks: Foreheads and ears are coming back into fashion. The whereabouts of the waist line still remains an open question.

Ralph Fazio, who for the past year has resided in Drumheller, was in Blairmore the early part of the week, looking after his property interests here.

A bonus of ten dollars each was granted by the city council of Fernie to firemen who worked so assiduously in connection with the recent fire at the Fernie hotel. This amount is in addition to the regular pay or salary.

The Arkansas Gazette remarks that a preacher in Memphis says hell is 25,000 miles in circumference and wonders whether there's anything significant in the fact that the earth is also 25,000 miles in circumference.

The public school at Munson has been ordered closed for two weeks because of an epidemic of scarlet fever. Mr. John M. Rothney, the principal, is spending a few days in Calgary. Mr. Rothney was a member of the Blairmore teaching staff last year.

The question of the validity of section 17 of the Alberta School Act will be argued in the Supreme Court of Canada on March 7th and 8th. Reference is to whether the section is ultra vires or not was recently referred to the court by the Dominion government.

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Catherine, the eight-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Christie, died at Bellevue on Friday last, after a long illness. This is the second death in the Christie family in the past seven months. Last August, Mr. and Mrs. Christie lost their only son Edward and now their second eldest daughter.

At the conclusion of the sessions of Grand Lodge of Alberta, I.O.O.F., at Calgary on Friday last, the following officers were elected and installed: V. Christie, Cardston, grand master; Alex. D. Campbell, Edmonton, deputy grand master; M. S. Schroeder, Walsh, grand warden; O. E. Tisdale, Calgary, grand secretary; George W. Henderson, Calgary, grand treasurer.

That the life of the station agent is very interesting and full of peculiar situations was amply illustrated the other day, when a young woman, accompanied by her five-year-old hopeful, inquired when No. 68 train would arrive. In a few minutes they were back again: "Pardon me," she said sweetly, "what time did you say my train would arrive?" "At 3.27," replied Mr. Passmore for the third time. "I hope you don't mind telling me so often, but my little boy just loves to hear you tell me when we may expect the train." Mr. Passmore was ready to explode, but he didn't.

The burgesses of the town of Nanton will on March the 7th vote on a by-law to provide for the purchase of electric current or service from the Calgary Power Company, Limited. If passed, Nanton will pay to the company commercial rates as follows: 80 cents per month for the first 500 watts and 40 cents per month for each additional 250 watts of installed capacity; 10 cents per kilowatt hour for the first 100 hours' use, over that at 10 cents per two kilowatt hours, with a minimum charge of \$1.50 net and \$1.50 gross per month, including service charge.

# Local and General Items

Carl Anderson was a business visitor to Lethbridge on Friday and Saturday last.

The light and power committee of the Red Deer town council report that profits for the year 1926 will reach near \$8,000.

Our tip to the man who is just getting married is to buy his wife such fine china that she'll never trust him to wipe the dishes.

"It will be fifty years before the human brain catches up with modern progress," declares Dr. Charles Mayo, of Rochester, Minn., the eminent surgeon.

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Mrs. W. R. Wilson, of Fernie, was called east last week, owing to an accident which happened to her daughter, Mrs. Smith, of Toronto, in a car accident.

Mrs. M. Eslinger, of Los Angeles, Calif., arrived in Coleman on Sunday to be with her mother, Mrs. E. J. Ecott, who is ill in the local hospital. Mrs. Eslinger is the guest of Mrs. W. Hogan, Sixth Street.—Coleman Journal.

Yesterday we overheard several ratepayers talking over municipal matters. Reference was made to the new town council, and one party asked another as to what committee Mr. Morgan was made chairman-of. The answer was: "Mr. Morgan is minister of agriculture."

Red Deer mill rate for 1927 has been struck at 54 on a net assessment of \$1,225,632, being two mills lower than last year's rate. The mill rate is made up as follows: city general 18 mills, debenture 12 mills, public and separate schools 23 mills, hospital one mill.

A young man about to be married left all the arrangements to his best man, even to the choosing of the hymns. On the day of the wedding, when the bride entered the church, the organ pealed forth: "Not Mine, Not Mine, the Choice." After the ceremony, when they were both leaving, the organ again struck up with: "Fight The Good Fight With All Thy Might."

The whist drive held in the Lodge Hall last night by Greenhill Temple, Pythian Sisters, was well attended. Twenty tables of whist were at play, and prizes were awarded as follows: Ladies' first, Mrs. W. Lord; second, Mrs. Chipman; consolation, Mrs. James Stewart. Gents' first, J. Chiput; second, Russell Vincent; consolation, B. Yeck. Door prizes were drawn to Mrs. Ed. Royle and David Martin.

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All the labor members except Phil Christophers attended the lieutenant-governor's reception to members, following the opening of the session. Phil said he did not have anything against the governor, but he did not believe in that sort of thing. Did it occur to Phil that there may be extremes. Snobs are one extreme in society. What would you call the other extreme? But there may be a happy medium.—Nanton News.

Members of three of the afternoon classes of the United Church Sunday school have formed themselves into a band to be known as "The Busy Bees," and are busy preparing songs for a sale which they hope to put on in the near future under the guidance of their teachers, Miss Sarah McVey, Mrs. Womarsley and Mrs. Warner. The officers of the band are as follows: President, Miss Lucy Harmer; vice-president, Miss Marion McDonald; secretary, Miss Dorothy Hamilton; treasurer, Miss L. Ericson.

Inspector Bavin, of the A.P.P., was up from Lethbridge on Tuesday.

Miss Crystal, of the local teaching staff, was a visitor to Calgary over the week end.

A Calgary traveller, last week developed a severe cold through moving from a warm bed to his own and drinking beer from a damp glass.

Jack Wilson, proprietor of the Fernie Motor Car Co., has purchased the Fernie Garage and stock from Percy Bean and will operate it in future.

O. D. Davis, of the district sales supervisory department of the Ford Motor Company in Southern Alberta, has returned to Calgary from the big convention held in Detroit.

The editor of the Canmore Canadian says that the trees at this time of the year are nearly as bare as the flappers in his town. He is evidently an enthusiastic student of nature.

A visitor to a recent harvest festival service at a local church was admiring the beautiful flowers on the altar and elsewhere. "Yes," said the cleric, "they are very nice. They are given away to those who are sick after the sermon."

Mr. R. G. Foot will leave this week end for St. John, N.B., from which point he will sail during the first week of March on the C.P.R. ship Melita enroute to his old home in England. Mr. Foot is not sure whether or not he will return to Canada.

We understand that Frank Harding, former bull cook at one of the B.C. lumber camps, has signed on as a cook with Carl Anderson, and will cater to Anderson's chickens, ducks and cats and pigs. Frank is one of the best punk mixers of food stuffs in Western Canada.

Mrs. Jack Jenkins, of Wayne, Alberta, arrived in Coleman on Wednesday morning, and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Hogan. Mrs. Jenkins was called here owing to the illness of her mother, Mrs. E. J. Ecott, a patient in the local hospital.—Coleman Journal.

A. B. King, president of the Alberta Amateur Hockey Association, advises that juvenile and midget teams will be assisted financially for the play-offs this spring. Half the railway fare and half the expenses for the berths will be provided. This is the first time that the association has been able to help the youngsters.

Major W. B. Burnett, of Lethbridge, the new grand patriarch of the Grand Encampment of Alberta, I.O.O.F., is offering beautiful silver cups to the Encampment branches in the cities and towns of the Alberta jurisdiction for the best average increase in membership for the year 1927. The trophies represent an expenditure of considerable money and no doubt will be keenly competed for.

Since coming to Western Canada the voices of members of the Westminster Abbey, Windsor Castle choir had gone up in pitch one half tone, declared Alberta, Watson, M.C., L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., tenor soloist with the Windsor singers. This he ascribed to the dry, invigorating climate and the high altitude. "The west should produce many fine singers," he said. "The air here acts like a tonic on the voice."

At the annual session of the Oddfellows' Grand Lodge in Calgary last week, some radical changes were made in the subordinate and grand lodge constitutions, to become effective January 1st, 1928, if approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge. The most drastic change is that affecting the benefits, making it optional, instead of compulsory, that such benefits be paid. The next session of the grand lodge will be held in Edmonton during the third week in March of 1928.

The University of Alberta faces a deficit of \$15,208 for the past year.

A number of wild ducks were seen in the Old Man river near Burnis on Thursday of last week.

Mr. Binns, auditor for the Government Liquor Control Board, was in Blairmore on Monday and Tuesday.

Forty years ago, food supplies were being shipped by teams and drays or sleighs from Calgary to Edmonton.

A beautiful bouquet of pussywillows was presented to a C.P.R. sleeping-car conductor at Frank last week.

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Domestic science may be taught, but the art of holding a baby on one hip while frying pancakes is a gift.

Special trains are being used to carry hockey fans from one point to another on the prairie for the amateur play-offs.

Rev. C. C. McLaurin, superintendent of Baptist missions, officiated at the morning and evening services at the Fernie Baptist Church on Sunday last.

Miss Verna Felton and the Allen Players are this week playing in Red Deer. Last night they put on "So This is London" and tonight will appear in "The Whole Town's Talking."

The provincial gasoline tax will be increased from two to three cents this year, and the additional revenue therefrom will be used to further development of provincial road building.

Tiny Thompson, Calgary athlete and former goalie with the Bellevue Bulldogs, who is playing for the Minneapolis hockey team in the American association, has the best record so far as goal keeping is concerned for this season. He has made 276 stops in twenty-eight games.

Marriage licenses were issued on Tuesday to the following: Charles Mahieu, of Blairmore, and Miss Gabrielle Labourene, of Cowley; and Frank Sterva, of Bellevue, and Miss Marion Chizek, of Frank. The first named couple were married at Cowley, and the latter at Blairmore.

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Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Morgan, of Pincher Creek Motors, and Mr. and Mrs. Lance L. Morgan, of the Crows' Nest Pass Motors, returned this week from a two-months' vacation trip, during which they toured considerably through the States and attended the big convention of the General Motors.

Bellevue's senior Allen Cup team lost to the Calgary Rangers in a two-game series last week, the final score being 8 to 7. Towards the finish of the third period of Thursday night's game, Henderson, the burly defense of the visiting team, sustained a fracture of an ankle bone that will likely put him out of the game for the rest of the season.

H. D. Gerry, auctioneer, will conduct two auction sales in the Cowley district during next week. The first on Tuesday, March 1st, at the Bougerolle ranch, ten miles north of Cowley on the main trail in the Porcupine Hills; the second at the Bougerolle homestead, ten miles north-east of Cowley on the main trail to Cabin Hill, on Saturday, March the 5th, both at 10 a.m.

The province of Alberta is definitely in the corn belt of North America. Although a few years ago it was producing very little corn, this has now come to be a large item in the annual agricultural production of the province. Last year more than one million dollars' worth of corn was produced within Alberta, chiefly in the southern part. The splendid evidence of corn are becoming an attraction at the seed fairs throughout the country. Alberta in a few years will be raising corn from very large acreages.

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Meets in the Elk Hall the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 8 p.m. Visitors made welcome. R. W. H. Pinkney, Exalted Ruler; J. R. McLeod, Secretary, Box 2033, Blairmore.

Last week we announced that we were shortly to publish a copyright booklet entitled "What We Know About Women." Already we have received orders from twenty-one school districts desirous of adding these books to their school libraries.

Mrs. Harry Smith, of Drumheller, received a signal honor last week when she was elected representative from the Alberta Rebekah Assembly to the Association of Rebekah Assemblies convention to be held in Arkansas, U.S.A., next September.

"If there are any ignoramuses in the room, please rise," said the teacher sardonically. There was a pause and then Johnny rose to his feet. "Why, Johnny, do you mean to say that you are one?" he inquired in surprise. "Well, teacher, not exactly," replied Johnny, "but I hated to see you standing alone!"



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